HSIA BOARD MEETING
THE KEY SCHOOL
April 30, 2009

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Bill Shuman, Noel Gasparin, Kate Penn, Christina Friday, Mark Jones, Bruce Walker, Bill Anderson, Ray Sullivan, Natalie Lobe

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF: Jean Somers

GUESTS: Phil Jones, Jeri Singleton, Chris Elkington, Kevin Green, Tom Trimmer

Bill Shuman called the meeting to order at 7:12 pm.

Minutes from the March Board Meeting were accepted.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Bruce Walker reported on the following:

General Fund:

1. Key School made its annual donation for this year: 6 x $159.66 = $957.96
2. Rental house income YTD = $11,108; rental house expenses YTD = $9216 (1080 mgmt co; taxes $5193 (incl. income tax), 2296 maintenance; insurance 381; utilities 266). April was our renter's last month – new renter moved in on April 24th.
3. We have received $308 YTD from the 2007 rental house renter who defaulted.
4. Admin for April will be ~2300 including the $1900 stormwater study; that will use up all the slack in the admin budget for the rest of the year.

P&H:

1. We are down to one 2008 slip holder who has not paid. Mark has contacted the person and a check is being sent for 2008 and 2009. 2008 slip rentals will come in at $70,472 vs budget of $71,883 ($1411 below plan – 4 slips were never rented out for a loss of $2,900 and another $2604 was lost due to gaps in slip turnover). Ramp keys are also $915 below plan for 2008 and boat storage $250 under plan. As a result, P&H will be $2,611 under plan for revenues.
2. Mark has done an outstanding job – Expenses are better than the overall plan. We have only run about $9,000 over total budget and the contingency fund is at $23,904 when we said it would drop to about $15,000 – so right on plan but we have also paid back two L26 accounts – the $9,000 overage (plus $25,000 from the Contingency Fund and $11,000 from the L26 fund) is much less than what was authorized (up to $116,000 approved overage) at the General meeting last year and the total expense for the pier/boat/ramp/gates/cameras project came in right on plan with more than $70,000 of the project covered by existing budgets rather than overage. We are rebuilding the Contingency fund by an additional $20,000 next fiscal year that starts this July.

STF:

1. County has ~$3900 of uncollected HSIA levy (~24 homes equivalent)
2. Newsletter advertising income is running better than plan at $7,305 (budget is $8,000) but slightly lower than at this time a year ago ($8,160).
3. Expenses are well under plan – Ground maintenance still has $12,505 of its $22,750 budget left to spend. Repairs/Improvements still has $80,430 of its $81,650 budget left to spend. Security still has $15,933 of its $40,000 left to spend.

Overall, we are in pretty good shape. Come And Get It Day was very successful and we will get a clear picture for the upcoming year within the next month.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Nothing to report.

ADMINISTRATIVE: Jean Somers reported that we have 467 members to date. The Easter Egg Tree contest winner was Kathryn Hantske, 12 years old, with a guess of 1854 eggs. Kathryn won a $25 gift card to Brusters Ice Cream. Maya Glass and Bob Berry were honorary winners and each received coupons worth $6 to Brusters. The May *Sea Breeze* deadline is May 3rd

SECURITY: Kevin Green reported that Blueguard Security starts tomorrow, May 1st. They will patrol 5 days a week with varying day and night patrols. A patrol car will be left at the beach parking lot. Randy Southers will no longer be our beach attendant.

BEACH: Kate Penn reported on two successful beach workdays. The first one carried a threat of rain, but as many as 20 people showed up to work that day. ESA has incorporated changes into their contract as discussed between Mike Ragland and Kate. Kate will get Bill's signature on the revised contract. Noel reported that 32 Key School students worked to spruce up the beach for Earth Day on April 23rd. Bill Shuman mentioned a tour buss that was parked at the beach parking lot during a Key School game. The bus belonged to the visiting team. Irfan Latimer of Key School was notified and has insured HSIA that it won't happen again. Kate also mentioned that winter jellyfish have been spotted in the water at the beach, but they are on their way out for the season.

MARINA: Mark Jones reported that we had a good response from the published marina wait list. Mark is in the process of moving people around in slips that requested upgrades and then will be offering vacant slips to people on the wait list. Mark is looking to replace the sewage pump out box. **Mark Jones motioned the board approve NTE $400 to replace the sewage pump out locker. Christina Friday seconded the motion. Vote taken – unanimously approved.** Mark is planning a clean up day at the marina in a month or so.

PROPERTY: Noel Gasparin reported that we have a new renter at 119 Great Lake Drive – Vivian Jacobs. She is asking for the locks to be changed and for an air conditioner in the second bedroom. Annapolis Property services will get quotes and have a handyman look at the outlets for an air conditioner. The renter is also requesting a one-time insect treatment. **Noel Gasparin motioned the board approve NTE $500 for deadbolts and locks at the rental house. Christina Friday seconded the motion. Vote taken – unanimously approved.**

DUMPSTER DAYS: Bill Anderson reported that Dumpster Days went pretty smoothly. We had a lot of rain right before the dumpsters arrived, but the field had dried out enough to place the dumpsters in the normal location. Fifteen dumpster loads were hauled away, along with 1 recycle container, 1 ½ dumpsters of metal, and 5 dumpsters of yard waste. The County appreciated all the help they were given by Hillsmere.

STORMWATER MANAGEMENT: Ray Sullivan reported that the Stormwater Committee would be walking on Saturday morning at 9 am. Meet at the beach. Met with South River Federation to talk about acquiring 105 Steffey Drive for stormwater management. Chris Elkington mentioned that the owner of 105 Steffey is being approached to see if he would be

interested in selling. The County is holding a training program for Watershed Stewards. Kevin Green and some Hillsmere residents are attending.

DUVALL CREEK DREDGING: Bruce Walker reported that the State of Maryland has frozen funds for dredging. Permitting plan for dredging of Duvall Creek is continuing as planned. BayLand, Inc. is holding Spur Workshops at Hillsmere Elementary School on May 26th and 27th.

BEACH CONTRACTS: Kate Penn went over bids for the revamping and resurfacing of the beach parking lot (handouts attached). Much discussion on bid comparison and questions and answers followed. Bill Shuman asked to see about a gate at the entrance and exit to culvert for childproofing. **Kate Penn motioned the Board award the contract to Grass Roots for parking lot fencing, resurfacing and landscaping at the price of $49,004. Christina Friday seconded the motion. Vote taken – unanimously approved.**

PERSONAL CELL PHONE USAGE: Bill Shuman reported that two years ago, he granted approval to Bill Anderson to be reimbursed for a portion of his personal cell phone bill because he was using his cell phone for Hillsmere related phone calls and inquiries. Bill Anderson's cell phone number is listed in the *Sea Breeze* and we reimburse Bill $40 a month for this use. The board feels it's inappropriate to reimburse a volunteer board member for his cell phone usage. Much discussion followed. **Bill Shuman motioned HSIA continue the $40 monthly reimbursement for Bill Anderson's cell phone. Vote taken – 2 in favor; 4 against; 3 abstained (Bill Anderson, Bruce Walker, Bill Shuman). Disapproved – motion did not pass.**

POOL LEASE RENEWAL: Bill Shuman mentioned there would be a working session scheduled sometime next week to work on the pool lease renewal. Bruce Walker spoke about the investigating committee that is formed to look into other pool operations and management. Bruce discussed the difference between a public pool, a community pool, and a country club pool. Much discussion followed. Tabled discussion to working meeting.

OLD BUSINESS: Natalie Lobe will invite the Zoning Chair to the next board meeting to give a report.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean Somers
Administrator