HSIA BOARD MEETING
THE KEY SCHOOL
February 28, 2008

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

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF: Jean Somers

GUESTS: Phil Jones, Judy Steinberg, Jeri Singleton, Kevin Green

Bill Shuman called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm.

Minutes from the January Board Meeting were distributed and accepted.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Bruce Walker reported that all three accounts are overall in good shape. The General Fund has money, but will rapidly decrease. We are working on the dumpster invoices. We paid $9000 in legal fees in February -- $2000 out of STF and the balance from General Fund. We have exhausted our legal fund budget and will need to borrow and then pay back. We received a $60,000 check from the County.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Bill Shuman reported on the email he sent out about a possible child abduction in Hillsmere. The main reason to send the email was to alert parents to talk to their kids about child abduction and talking to strangers. Bill talked about the money that DNR had put in the County budget for our beach restoration. Bill questioned if there was any way we could use our current Special Tax District to secure a loan with that money. The answer is "no". We would need to become a Special Erosion Tax District. That money is gone.

ADMINISTRATIVE: Jean Somers reported on the upcoming Come And Get It Day on Saturday, March 1.

ANNAPOLIS NECK PENINSULA FEDERATION: Ray Sullivan talked about the Homestead Tax Credit and will write something for the March *Sea Breeze*. The meeting about the house on Old Annapolis Neck Road was cancelled.

COMMUNITY SRUVEY: Natalie Lobe presented the Action Plans from last meeting (attached). **Natalie Lobe motioned the Board approve the Action Plans presented as modified. Mark Jones seconded. Vote taken – unanimously passed.** Natalie presented Action Plans #68-71. **Natalie Lobe motioned the Board approve Action Plan #71 to move the closing time of the beach to 10:00 pm starting the summer of 2008 for a trial period. Noel Gasparin seconded. Much discussion followed. Vote taken – 1 approved; 8 opposed. Motion did not pass.**

PIERS & HARBOR: Mark Jones reported that DNR will provide handouts at Come And Get It Day. The permit package for piers and ramps went to the County and State last week. Mark presented the following amendments to motions approved at the last meeting:

1. **Mark Jones motioned the Board approve an additional $57 for the marina gate and boat ramp gates. Christina Friday seconded. Vote taken – unanimously passed.**

2. **Mark Jones motioned the board approve an additional $998.52 for the gate system at the marina. Christina Friday seconded. Discussion followed. Vote taken – 8 approved, 1 opposed. Motion passed.**

3. **Mark Jones motioned the Board approve an increase of $3527.74 for the marina camera system. Christina Friday seconded. Discussion followed. Discussed the placement of the two cameras. Vote taken – 8 approved, 1 opposed. Motion passed.**

BEACH: Mark Jones (in Kate Penn's absence) motioned the Board approve $1730.00 to replace the table tops on the tables in the pavilions. Christina Friday seconded. Vote taken – 8 approved, 1 abstained. Motion passed. Bill Shuman mentioned that Randy Southers, our beach and marina security guard, cannot work for us this year. He recommended another security guard that works at Chesapeake Harbour. HSIA needs to decide whether to hire someone private or to use a company.

SECURITY: Bill Shuman reported that there is a new police captain for the Southern District. He is interested in meeting with us. Bill will meet with him soon to discuss details. Key School has had serious problems with vandalism. Key School was considering cameras. Bill met with Ken Peel of Key School. Key School is interested in sharing patrols with HSIA. Discussion followed as to whether Bill should pursue this with Key School. It seems beneficial to Key School and Hillsmere. Majority felt it was worth exploring.

WEBSITE FORUM: Bill Shuman mentioned a resident that wanted to post a warning on the Forum about an internet scheme. Bill told the resident that anything posted needed to pertain to Hillsmere. Does the Board agree? Answer – yes.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: Pool Association would like to expand the concrete and covering near the building within the fence.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean Somers
Administrator