HSIA GENERAL MEETING
KEY SCHOOL IN PERSON & VIRTUAL
July 9, 2026

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Claire Corcoran, Romeo Santos, Gene Gross, Helene Raven, Steve Vanderbosch, Joanna Parkinson **Absent:** Ray Sullivan, Geoff Werner, Maria Triandos, Danielle Franz **Virtual:** Tom Anderson

CONTRACTURAL STAFF: Jean Somers, Ann Levelle

GUESTS: Pam Jackson, Renate Thompson, Teresa Sutherland, Anita Hinders, Amy Battaglia, Stacy Godfrey, Richard Skinner, Mary Skinner, Marilyn Hunter, Peggie O'Dea, Sandra Brown, Michael Clark, Charles Metzger, Jaye Falls, Rachael Smith, Susan Reinhart, Crystal Monkman **Virtual:** Bill Cone, Vicki Cone, Barbara Schell

Claire Corcoran called the meeting to order at 7:07 pm. Virtual attendance closed 10 minutes after meeting was called to order, for purposes of a quorum count. No quorum present.

Claire Corcoran announced that there will be no recording of this meeting in any form or fashion, to include anyone attending via zoom.

MINUTES:

1. **Romeo Santos moved the Board approve the March 2026 General Meeting minutes. Steve Vanderbosch seconded the motion. Vote taken – unanimously approved.**
2. **Romeo Santos moved the Board approve the May 2026 amended General Meeting minutes (Amended to add to the Welcoming Report: "A group of members raised for discussion the revitalization of the Welcoming Committee and seeking a Chair who could relieve the Secretary of this additional burden). Joanna Parkinson seconded the motion. Vote taken – unanimously approved.**

ADMINISTRATIVE: Jean Somers reported as follows:

1. Current membership is 729
2. RFID sticker pickup will be scheduled again in August. Cassie Heckman, Property Manager, will issue RFID stickers on a case-by-case basis through July, after she returns from vacation.

PROPERTY MANAGER: Cassie Heckman not in attendance – nothing to report.

PRESIDENT: Claire Corcoran reported that she has been in touch with the County regarding flags in the median and signage on our message board sign. Anne Arundel County rule states that with few exceptions, signs, flags, banners and such that are located in the medians are considered by DPW and the Bureau of Highways to be litter. Exceptions are real estate open house signs or single day directional yard sale signs on a street corner. HSIA will be removing items that fall into the litter category should they continue to appear, because we are responsible for maintaining the greenspace within our community. Claire made mention of the two signs that were staked in the ground on either side of our message board over the 4th of July. Claire had the signs with her and showed the signs to the members present. Claire stated the signs would be at the Hillsmere house should the owner choose to come forward to claim them.

VICE PRESIDENT: Romeo Santos reported as follows:

1. Communications – building a new community portal. Everything can be done online and will be easy to navigate. Comment from member Marilyn Hunter – please update the helper list in the Sea Breeze and please make sure Committee Chair info is correct in the Sea Breeze and on the website.
2. Piers & Harbor – establishing a committee for all aspects of the marina. Looking to redeck the marina – replacing loose boards.

TREASURER: Gene Gross reported that we have $918,363.15 in the Operating Account; $215,563.61 in the Special Tax Checking Account; for a grand total of $1,133,926.76 as of May 31, 2026.

SECRETARY: Nothing to report.

BYLAWS: Amendment to Bylaws Article VII, Nominations, Elections and Appointments, was presented at the May General meeting. A quorum was not present at that meeting. We are presenting the Amendment to Bylaws Article VII at this General Meeting for a vote. A group of four members raised a Point of Order before the vote on Article VII, pointing out an apparent inconsistency in quorum requirements in Article IX – Amendment of the Bylaws, and Article VIII, Section 4, which allows a quorum to be waived at the next General Meeting following a General Meeting where a quorum was lacking. This is the procedure being followed at this meeting, following a lack of a quorum at the May 14, 2026, General Meeting. After discussion, the President called the vote. **Romeo Santos moved to approve revisions to Article VII, Nominations, Elections and Appointments, as presented to the community at the May 14, 2026 General Meeting and published in the Sea Breeze. Gene Gross seconded the motion. Vote taken -- unanimously approved by a 33-0 vote, including 13 proxies.** The Board will check with our attorney as to the discussion.

SECURITY: Claire Corcoran reported that the beach gate is working well. Non-residents are parking at the Key field side of Bay View Drive and tearing up the swale. Claire is coordinating with Key School and the County for Bay View Drive to be a no parking zone. Non-residents are also parking along Key's field on Green Spring Drive and walking to the beach. Late afternoon to evening has the most amount of non-resident traffic.

POOL: Crystal Monkman reported as follows:
1. The pool is in mid-season and everything is going well, to include the PoolEntry system.
2. Fifteen pool parties have taken place at a flat fee of $100, which is good revenue.
3. Food trucks going well.
4. More random Ice Cream trucks arriving – we don't have control over that. We did ask them to turn their music off.
5. Two more neighborhood days remain – July 28 and August 25
6. Two more swim meets – July 11 and 19 (gold meet).
7. Adult pool party is August 1.
8. Glow party is August 22
9. Big Kahuna is Labor Day – also the last day of the pool.
10. Pool sign almost done
11. The hot water valve will be replaced in the women's bathroom

EVENTS: Helene Raven reported as follows:
July 12 – Band at the Beach
August 8 – Ice Cream Social

September 12 – Happy Hour
October – Halloween Party at the beach
November – Oyster Roast, date tbd

WELCOMING COMMITTEE: Helene Raven announced a Welcoming Committee meeting on Tuesday, July 21, from 4:30-5:30 pm at the community house. The Welcoming Open House is on Sunday, July 26, from 3:00 to 5:00 pm. New residents will learn about Hillsmere's history, our amenities to include the beach, marina, & pool, get stickers and boat ramp keys, and join HSIA. All residents are welcome to join.

Open discussion, questions and answers.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:58 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean Somers
Administrator