

Lakeside Town Hall Meeting, November 18, 2020

Time of the meeting: 5:30 pm

Notes were taken by: Sara Sussman

Present at the meeting:

Committee members

Chair: Will Smith - present

Vice Chair: Julia Marino -present

Secretary: Sara Sussman -present

Treasurer: Emily Cuddy - absent

Social Chair: Lindsay Willmore - present

Webmaster: Matheus V. X. Ferreira - present

Garden Coordinator: Jessica Wilson -present

External Relations Delegate: Maria Curria -present

University

Kevin Fleming

Kenneth Paulaski

ACC (American Campus Communities)

Mark Clemmons

Gloria Yuen

Residents

James Loy

Tao Liu

Nancy Lu

Smoking

-Residents are asked to be courteous to others and ensure that they're not smoking near building entrances or windows.

Elections

- Elections went smoothly, we are excited to serve the Lakeside community.

Social Media

-Lakeside has a Facebook page, as well as a gsg slack channel. We want to communicate this to residents so they can join those pages. We want to use those resources more this year,

with regularly scheduled Slack and Facebook posts, we want to reach people on platforms that are not email.

Social Events

-We are considering planning some virtual holiday events, especially because some people cannot travel easily this winter.

-We are aware of Zoom burnout. A book club might be a good idea. We are also looking into food-based and craft-based events. We are allowed a budget for food-based events as long as you prepare the food yourself during the event (but not if you are supplied prepared food). For example, making holiday treats together. We would like Lakeside community members with children to feel included so we would like to make some of these events child-friendly.

-Julia is interested in sending out an email assessing interest in starting a book club. Kevin says he is also happy to help coordinate about programming.

-Lindsay did a slack poll about virtual events: learning to take care of / potting indoor plants was popular, baking holiday cookies was popular. She will follow up with Jessica, Julia, Kevin and Gloria about those events.

-Budget for social events is handled by Emily the treasurer, we will coordinate with her. Our budget should be pretty strong because we haven't held many social events since the beginning of the pandemic.

-Julia says the library has a service which has free downloadable bestselling Kindle books for an Overdrive account that is linked to your Princeton email address. We will try to advertise this. (<https://princeton.overdrive.com/>)

Garden

-Potential changes to garden membership. We want to expand options for garden membership over the next year. We want to add an herb membership with access to the communal herbs. This would be a low commitment way to participate in the garden. People who do not live here during the full agricultural year (May-October) are not eligible for a plot. The herb membership would be a pilot program, with ~15 people. The herb-members would rotate through the season, maintaining the communal herbs every few weeks, so it wouldn't matter if some of those people have to do field work or are otherwise traveling for months at a time. Jessica is leading this initiative.

Open Forum

-Mark: We've noticed the study rooms in Lakeside get reserved by the same people, its first come first serve, the same people come in and they then stay all day. We were going to implement a 4 hour time limit and then announce it in the next newsletter.

-Jessica: Is there disinfectant in the study room?

-Mark: Not specifically in the study room but it is right outside next to the printers.

-Lindsay: Could we do a Google Calendar where people could sign up for times in that space?

-Mark: Sounds good.