

**MBCA Executive Meeting  
MINUTES  
February 5, 2019  
Location: Mossman Hall**

BOD attending: Kate, Heather, Donna, PJ, Tim, Barbara, Rebecca and Stasia

In the absence of Joe, Kate calls meeting to order at 3:38PM.

Kate leads discuss with an inquiry on the senior center's progress. Donna highlights the development of a multi-tiered plan that includes short term goals and long term strategies. Discussion ensues regarding kitchen certification details: grease trap install, new equipment procurement and new floor! Donna/PJ are working w/ Bruce and Jonathan to make a solid plan for the future. Barbara asks about current finances and lengthy discussion ensues.

All agree that an update on the senior center should be included on next week's general meeting agenda. Donna/PJ will be glad to lead this agenda item.

Heather changes discussion to membership and social media updates. Discussion moves to membership dues and Rebecca highlights the history of how MBCA arrived at its current fee structure with emphasis on big cost centers and past projects (Beach park and Christmas Lights). Rebecca passes out current treasurer's report and points to the paucity of funds in the "Melrose Beach Park Fund". Rebecca reminds board that Joe has been one of the biggest contributors financially to the MBCA. All agree that we need to attract funds from other sources.

Rebecca agrees to provide details on paid membership for 2019 and breakdown of expenses for beach park season 2019. Stasia will ask William Chiappini to speak on same at upcoming meeting.

Other ideas for funding: ask HMI for a donation, ask Deb Massie for proceeds of next multi-market to go to beach park.

Discussion moves to other agenda items for next week's general. Heather says "round robins" are too long and repetitive. Barbara suggests that MBCA could be modeled after parts of Keystone's meeting where businesses get a limited section of the agenda to highlight their enterprise.

Tim asks for contact info for those that are interested in the steering committee for TIF program. Stasia suggests contacting rep from Melrose Women's Club which has become very active in fund raising. PJ will contact Sheree Sims regarding library news.

No further business, meeting adjourns at 4:34PM

*minutes submitted by S Rudolph.*