

Town of Saugerties Senior Education Commission

Monday February 4, 2019

Meeting Notes-Accepted

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 am by Chairperson Susan Davis in the conference room at Saugerties Town Hall.

Present: Susan Davis, Susan Poretz, Peg Nau, Norm Bowie, Laura Phillips and town liaison LeeAnne Thornton.

As no members of the public were present, the public comment period of the meeting was closed by Susan Davis.

By consensus, the commission decided that Susan Davis will remain chairperson of the SEC. According to liaison LeeAnne Thornton, there are no definitive town of Saugerties rules about how long the chair person may remain in office. Everyone expressed their appreciation to Susan D for her dedication.

Susan Poretz gave an update about the recently completed agreement with the Woodstock Jewish Center for rental of their facility to Lifespring. Susan Davis and Marv Beach collaborated with her on the terms of the contract. The agreement term is for four years with a price increase midway. After the agreement is approved by the Lifespring Board, the SEC will review it and vote to accept the details as outlined by the Lifespring Board minutes.

Mention was made of the continuing challenge of setting up the new chairs for the Winter Presentations at the Library.

Susan Poretz moved that the SEC approve the appointment of the Lifespring By-Laws Committee as appointed by the Lifespring Board of Directors. The members are Marv Beach, Susan Davis, Maureen Huben, and Natalee Rosenstein. Laura Phillips seconded, passed unanimously.

There was discussion about recommendations from the Senior Education Commission to the Lifespring By-Laws committee about possible changes to the June 7, 2017 Lifespring By-Laws. Minimal changes were recommended to make clear that Lifespring is an official Town of Saugerties Community Group and that the Senior Education Commission created by Local Law 1, 2018, of the Town of Saugerties shall oversee the operation of Lifespring. Additional changes were suggested to clarify that the Town of Saugerties liaison is now appointed to the SEC not to the Lifespring Board of Directors. After the Lifespring By-Law revisions have been adopted by the members of the Lifespring Board of Directors the SEC will review the Lifespring Board minutes and vote to accept the details as outlined by the Lifespring Board minutes.

After discussion, the following wording was suggested in a motion by Norm Bowie.

ARTICLE 1

Sentence 1: no change

Sentence 2: change *Committee* to **community group**.

Third sentence add: **The Senior Education Commission created by Local Law 1, 2018, of the Town of Saugerties shall oversee the operation of Lifespring.**

ARTICLE III – Section 1

Sentence 1: no change

Sentence 2: insert been **has been admitted for membership and** after “*any person who*”.

Sentence 3: no change

ARTICLE V – Section 1

Sentence 1: no change

Sentence 2: The SEC did not make any specific recommendations. This has been under discussion by the Lifespring Board.

Sentence 3: Add period after *Ex-Officio*. Strike *as will a representative from the Town Board of Saugerties*.

ARTICLE V - Section 2

Sentence 1 and 2: No change

ARTICLE V Section 3

Sentence 1 and 2: No change

Sentence 3: Strike "*The representative of Saugerties shall serve as appointed.*"

The motion was seconded by Peg Nau and passed unanimously.

It was decided to schedule the next SEC meeting as needed.

Laura Phillips moved to adjourn at 11:17 am. Peg Nau seconded. Passed unanimously.

Laura Phillips, note taker