

**WACCRA Board Meeting
Oct. 8, 2021
Via Zoom**

Attendees:

Board: Donna Kristaponis, President; Rick Baugh, Interim Vice President; Nickie Askov, Secretary; Jim Crim, Treasurer; Orin Brustad, Carlos Caguiat, Cassandra Carothers, Monica Clement, Judy Love, Natalie Siegel

Committee Chairs: Allan Affleck

CCRC Coordinators: Barry Witham

President Donna Kristaponis called the meeting to order at 10:02 AM.

- Minutes: The minutes from the September 10, 2021, meeting were approved by consent.
- Treasurer's Report: Approved by consent. Jim thanked the Board members who sent him corrections on his earlier version.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Update on *Commitment to CCRC Practices*: Barry provided an update on the situation at Emerald Heights. The Resident Council agreed with the action of the Administration and Board of Directors and will not appeal the decision to LeadingAge and WACCRA leadership. The Council also decided that the *Commitment to CCRC Practices* is proscriptive and concluded that individual Councils need to set up their own processes for non-compliance (as is happening at Skyline). CCRC residents need to be reminded that WACCRA represents its members, and not Resident Councils.

Monica reported that she is planning to have floor meetings to inform residents about the *Commitment*. She was advised to talk to Don Schwartz about developing a process at Timber Ridge. She reported that the Executive Director is willing to attend the floor meetings.

- Update on Annual Meeting set for October: Saturday, October 23, 2:00-4:00, is the date of the Annual Meeting to be held in person and by Zoom webinar at Emerald Heights. Dr. Katherine Pearson, an expert in CCRCs and a professor at Penn State, will be arriving on Friday for an evening meeting at Skyline. In the morning she will hold a Zoom conference with legislators, OIC staff, and others that Donna Christianson is pulling together. The Board and coordinators will meet with her over lunch at noon before the Annual Meeting. Concerns were discussed about how many members might attend in person. Masks will be required. Questions may be submitted to Donna in advance of the meeting. **Donna will try to find out the title of her talk so that may be publicized in the upcoming News-Mails.**

NEW BUSINESS:

•Items for WACCRA Board Members: Donna was invited to a meeting of the Department of Health about the HB 1218 bill. In addition to Skilled Nursing, Assisted Living, and nursing homes, the department wanted to include CCRCs. In preparation for the meeting Donna queried members of the Presidents' Roundtable to determine if Independent Living was physically separate from Skilled Nursing and Assisted Living. Donna was able to report that all CCRCs that responded had separate facilities. The one exception was University House in Issaquah, which is not a CCRC. Donna will be included in future meetings. Monica also reported that NaCCRA's publication *Lifelines* praised WACCRA for its advocacy of the HB 1218 bill.

Monica continues to look into the possibility of teaching a course that would include CCRCs at Green River College. Another possibility that she mentioned is inclusion in the University of Washington Osher Lifelong Learning Institute's offerings. **Nickie offered to contact the program director.**

Carlos raised the question of the WACCRA Zoom account. The issue was raised about who would act as scheduler of its use. **Jim said he would look into the cost.**

Nicole is resigning her position as of October 31. Board members should search to find someone for a part-time, paid position with knowledge of EXCEL (although knowledge of EXCEL formulas is not necessary).

Since Natalie and Orin are leaving the WACCRA Board, various tributes were offered to each of them. Both offered to continue assisting WACCRA as needed.

The motion that the meeting be adjourned at 11:30 for an Executive Session passed. Next meeting is November 13, 10:00-12:00, by Zoom.

Respectfully submitted: Nickie Askov, Secretary