

**Castle Hills Forest Board Meeting
December 8, 2010**

Present: Beth, Chris, Jennifer, Ellen and Sue

Absent: David, Marge, Larry

Convened at 7:08 p.m.

Minutes: Approval of the November minutes was passed.

Financial report: Passed.

Neighborhood update by Beth:

- * Neighbors are going to court over barking dog incident.
- * Christmas decorations: Judging will be on Sun. December 19. Jennifer will put up signs. Jennifer has 3 non residents to judge the decorations. Winners will be in the February newsletter. Winners receive: \$100 to 1st; \$50 to 2d, \$25 to 3d, 2 HEB gift cards. The next day the checks will be given and sign will be put in the winners yards.

Social and Rec report by Beth:

- * Tina Johnson has volunteered to chair Kids Activities. She is planning a Christmas activity for Sun. December 19 and Santa visit for the kids. She needs volunteers to make cookies (can the women's club do that?) and have punch for the kids. It starts Sunday at 4:00 and Santa at 4:30. Jennifer will send an e-notice.
- * Book club is next Tuesday.
- * Bunco is on the 4th Monday of each month.
- * Wine tasting will be held on February 15.

Pool activities by Beth:

- * Repairs are going well. Contractor's workers are showing up on time. Plastering will start on Saturday. Stair railings are being added one on each side to be in compliance with pool regulations. For the pool exit, there will be recessed steps with railing. They are working on the drains. Since the drains are tied together, we are paying a higher cost to separate, but we don't need 3, they will combine on 2. We don't need a leak detector since very little leakage occurred.
- * We may need to switch chemical companies. New plaster needs to have consistent flow of new chemicals. ACS will lease us a chemical feeder with the chemicals and will match Altivia, which was the old chemical company. Beth will ask Activia if they have a feeder first and then will circulate an email for approval.

Communications report by Jennifer:

- * The January newsletter will have the nomination deadlines.

Women's Club report by Ellen:

- * This Sunday is their annual Christmas dinner and social at Pebble Way. 12-16 are expected.

Web site report by Chris:

- * Chris is setting up web site for pool members and swim team members to print out for Kim.
- * Of the total payments made on line last year about half were for pool donation and half for pool memberships.

Membership by Beth:

- * Beth is working on the membership letter and is asking for ideas. She will include a self addressed envelope to be mailed to a PO Box.

Old business:

- * We discussed moving the date of National Night Out to increase attendance.
- * By-laws – Sue offered to type up the current by-laws to get an electronic copy.

New business:

- * Discussion was had over the lawn service and it was decided to open it for bids. We need to make sure the companies are licensed and bonded. Currently we have Dave's Lawn Service and pay \$225 for a full mow. Lori calls them when it is needed. For the small mowing Lori calls Jerry. Lawn service bids should be made before the March meeting to Jennifer or Lori. The large mow includes the pool, rec and entrance areas, inside and edging, mowing and blowing. The board was going to confirm the cost of the small mow.
- * Front signage ideas - we will add to Powerpoint for the annual meeting

Adjourned at 8:39 pm.