

**DRAFT Minutes of the Lloyd Center Annual Meeting**  
**April 27, 2017—Greater New Bedford Vocational-Technical School**  
**1121 Ashley Blvd., New Bedford, MA 02745**

**Board Members Present:** Myrna W. Hall, Acting Chair; Richard J. Rheume, P.E., L.S.P.; Treasurer; Kathryn C. Duff, R.A., Vice-Chair; Kathleen G. Clear, Clerk; Kelly C. Rebello; Mary D. Mandeville; Stephen B. Witzig, Ph.D.; Leslie E.J. McKinley; Daphne F. Siegel; Stephen D. Rath; Timothy G. Haydock, M.D.

**Absent:** Morris W. Kellogg, Kathryn Kavanagh, Ph.D.; Robert M. Pielech, CPA; Peter L. Macdonald, Peter M. Nicholson, Esq.

**Others Present:** Rachel L. Stronach, Executive Director; Gaelen B. Canning, Institutional Development Consultant; Robert A. MacGregor, Chair, Steering Committee

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Myrna Hall at 6:00 p.m. Mrs. Hall thanked our hosts, the Greater New Bedford Vocational-Technical School

- **VOTE:** The minutes of the previous meeting of the Board of Directors on January 26, 2017 were approved unanimously.

**Treasurer's Report:** Richard Rheume reporting

- The Lloyd Center's construction project, begun in 2014, continues today with the completion of the waterfront teaching pavilion and ground being broken for the new Welcome Center
- The 2016 Audit has been completed
- The detailed Treasurer's Report is available separately on Drop Box

**Nominating Committee:** Leslie McKinley Reporting

- Ms. McKinley expressed the Board's appreciation to outgoing Board Members.
- Three new Board members were presented for election to the Lloyd Center Board: Daphne F. Siegal, Suzanne W. Prescott and Otto W. Schleinkofer III, CPA.
- **VOTE:** Daphne F. Siegal, Suzanne W. Prescott and Otto W. Schleinkofer III, CPA, were unanimously elected to one three-year term each on the Board of the Lloyd Center for the Environment
- **VOTE:** Kathleen Clear, Stephen Witzig, and Stephen Rath were unanimously re-elected to one three-year term each on the Board of Directors of the Lloyd Center for the Environment
- **VOTE:** The Audit Committee was approved unanimously

**Presentation of the Haydock Award:** Presented by Rachel Stronach, Executive Director, to Dr. James Sears, Artist and retired Professor of Biology

- Dr. Sears was instrumental in the establishment of the Lloyd Center and wrote the mission statement
- He is a Life Member and has worked tirelessly to support our mission
- Dr. Sears' statement of thanks upon receiving the award recapped the beginnings of the Lloyd Center, talked about its development and history. He presented Ms. Stronach with archived materials he had kept relating to the inception of the Lloyd Center.

**New Business:** None

**Executive Director's Report:** Rachel Stronach, Executive Director, reporting (Complete report also available on Drop Box):

- 2016 was a big year for the Lloyd Center —The new Waterfront Teaching Pavilion is now complete and in use. The LBC Welcome Center is under construction;

- 25,000 visitors visit our trails and facilities each year;
- We have contracted research sites over most of eastern MA and the rest of the state, and in RI, that do monitoring, surveys, inventories, winter water fowl counts (providing a 30 year data base to researchers), and more.
- Our Biodiversity Initiative and Climate Science Project involve students from across New England.
- Outreach is making an effort to reach people of all ages, beyond the classroom, and has put together a full calendar of events toward that end.
- Education programs have grown exponentially in the past five years, hence the need for our expanded facilities and the Capital Campaign to fund those efforts.
- We work with 10-15,000 students per year and have, for example, 40 classrooms participating in Feathery Focus (3<sup>rd</sup> grade), each of which receives a visit from an LCE educator once a month.
- The Climate Science Learning Project brings students from across the state.
- Summer programs offer 1/3 of the attending students full or partial scholarships to attend
- Geographic Scope includes MA and RI.
- The Lloyd Center is involved in teacher professional development as well under the MITS program and has a new partnership with the Alfred J. Gomes School in New Bedford, MA.
- We partnered with the Greater New Bedford Vocational Technical High School (GNBVTHS) in the construction of the new Welcome Center.
- We have raised almost 3/4 of our goal of \$3M for our Capital Campaign.
- The Lloyd Center has been granted approval for a pilot, innovative gray water system to be installed in the new Welcome Center.

**Visiting Speakers:** Acting Chair, Myrna Hall, introduced Jeremy Dagold of Clear Results and co-chair of the Lloyd Center Building Committee, and Kristen Pomer of MassSave and Eversource, to discuss energy efficiency

- Mr. Dagold gave a brief overview of residential energy efficiency measures that might be taken to save on energy use and bills, such as replacing old windows and plugging holes in attics and basements, adding wall insulation in older homes and replacing aging appliances
- Ms. Pomer pointed the audience to the MassSave.com website as a good source of information on state aid for low-income, senior and new home or renovators trying to increase the energy efficiency of their homes.

**Adjournment:** Mrs. Hall thanked the visiting speakers and the attending members and, there being no other business, asked for a motion to adjourn.

**VOTE:** Mr. Rheume so moved, Ms. McKinley seconded. Vote to adjourn was approved unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen G. Clear  
Clerk