

GNCOOC Executive Committee Meeting
Minutes
December 15, 2004
Harbor Homes, Inc., 78 Main St.

PRESENT: Klaas Nijhuis, Urban Programs, Chairperson
Ruth Morrisette, Marguerite's Place, Inc.
Miles Pendry, Harbor Homes, Inc.
Linda Jeynes, Urban Programs
Bob Mack, Nashua Welfare
Mariellen Durso, Nashua Area Health Center
Mary Auer, Harbor Homes, Inc.
Alphonse Haettenschwiller, Private Citizen
Lisa Christie, Nashua Soup Kitchen and Shelter, Immediate Past Chair

K. Nijhuis called the meetings to order at 8:10 am. Minutes of the December 8, 2004 meeting were handed out to read. K. Nijhuis asked for a motion accept the minutes, A. Haettenschwiller so moved, R. Morrisette seconded, and the motion carried.

K. Nijhuis lead a discussion about suggested changes sent to all by A. Haettenschwiller. Some revisions were made to the Operational Guidelines in the course of the discussion. L Jeynes will update the latest draft, highlight today's changes and forward to M. Pendry for posting on the GNCOOC website.

During a discussion around how nominations of officers would/should be brought to the general GNCOOC membership for a vote, K. Nijhuis notated the following flip charts to help the committee through the process.

Suggested Ways to Make Nominations

- 1) Executive Committee proposes slate and receives nominations from the floor (1 name per office)
- 2) Executive Committee submits 2+ names per office on a ballot
- 3) General membership makes nominations from the floor (how to notify?)
- 4) Executive Committee installs next officer without vote
- 5) Coup d'etat

What Are Our Values RE: Officer Election

- 1) Maintaining GNCOOC direction already established
- 2) Inclusive/open
- 3) Informed decision (valuing expertise)
- 4) Enabling (of emerging leaders of general membership)
- 5) That there is potential for real choice at the general membership level
- 6) Executive Committee doesn't want to take on (tough) choices
- 7) Executive Committee should be trustworthy

After rating the values list against the suggested ways, the following was decided to be the best way to handle the nominations.

Announce when the Executive Committee would be meeting to develop a slate of officers. This meeting would be open to the public, those wanting to participate or

stand for office would be encouraged to attend and speak at this meeting. The slate of officers would then be presented at the next general meeting of the GNCOC for a vote with additional nominations still being accepted from the floor.

M. Auer raised the question of how does anyone become a member of the Executive Committee. It was decided to discuss this and the matter of SuperNOFA voting at the next meeting as time was running short.

The next meetings will be at 8:00 am on January 12 & 26, 2005 at Harbor Homes, 78 Main Street.

The meeting adjourned at 9:36am.

Minutes taken and transcribed by Linda Jeynes, Urban Programs.