Planning Board Minutes
September 21, 2007
7 p.m.
Present: Chairman David Roberson, Ann Foshay, Joann Brown and Ellynn Packard

The meeting to discuss the "Goal Post" was called to order at 7 p.m. Minutes of September 6, 12 and 13 were distributed and approved.

Rebecca Bradley has declined the position of editor of the "Goal Post," it was reported. Ms. Foshay suggested that a two-step process be put in place to put out an abbreviated edition for October. Step one, compiling material, would be done by a Rowe person - Jen Morse has expressed interest - and step two, formatting the paper, would be done by Lynn Rudie. A discussion followed of the technical means of getting articles and materials for October.

Ms. Brown commented that the "ethics committee" might not approve of the Board putting out the "Goal Post" itself. Others thought that would not be a concern.

With regard to a memo put out by Ms. Foshay soliciting materials from department heads and committee chairs, Mr. Roberson commented that we should set some ground rules for putting out memos in the future and that offical communications should be deliberated and approved by the Board in advance. He also noted that the e-mail address in Ms. Foshay's memo belonged to Margaret Woodside and is no longer activated.

Ms. Packard reported that in a conversation with Jane DeLeeuw of the "Heath Herald" Ms. DeLeeuw said that their paper is printed by Staples for roughly the same cost as ours, but they distribute a larger number. A discussion of the process of putting out the "Goal Post" followed.

The process of inviting applicants for interviews was reviewed. Ms. Foshay said she had discouraged an applicant from coming in for an interview because Ms. Foshay believed that Rebecca Bradley would take the job and the other applicant would be wasting her own time. Ms. Foshay apologized. Ms. Packard stated her belief that discouraging an applicant the Board had wanted to interview was inappropriate.

Ms. Foshay reiterated her willingness to take responsibility for putting out the October issue by herself, with the assistance of Ms. Rudie. Mr. Roberson said that the "Goal Post" computer was in his possession at his house. He also said that the editor was paid at the end of the month for that month's completed work. This was followed by a discussion of how Ms. Foshay would edit this month's edition, and of how the address label process worked and if it is necessary to affix labels at all.

Mr. Roberson moved that Ms. Foshay collect the materials and forward them to Lynn Rudie for formatting, after review by the Board. The motion was seconded but failed for lack of a majority. Ms. Foshay and Mr. Roberson voted in favor, Ms. Packard voted against, and Ms. Brown abstained. Because this is a five-member board and only 2 members voted in favor of the motion, it was not carried.

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Ms. Foshay said she would prefer to reopen the application process. Ms. Packard suggested that Ms. Rudie be interviewed and someone hired to put out a paper in November, rather than October. Mr. Roberson moved that Lynn Rudie be invited to come in for an interview. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously. Ms. Foshay telephoned Ms. Rudie to schedule an interview and will let Mr. Roberson know when and if it can be arranged, whereupon he will post a meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 8:25.

Respectfully submitted,
Ellynn Packard
Secretary

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David Roberson, Chairman
Ann Foshay
Joann M. Brown