BOARD MEETING MINUTES 12-16-2025

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1. **Attendance:** Kathi Obendorfer, Jacky Skubik, Carol Amedio, Regina Kowalski, Elaine Miller, Joan Dobbins, Eric Wickson, and Jim Schepers.
2. **Call to Order:** Meeting called to order at 4:04 p.m.
3. **Approval of Minutes:** Secretary Schepers previously distributed the minutes from the 11-13-2025 board meeting. Director Kowalski made a motion to approve and seconded by Director Miller. Passed unanimously.
4. **Officer Reports:**

   A. President's Report: Kathi reported that she, and Director Skubik had attended the Sarasota County Commissioners meeting. They voiced that OEVA was in support of the CRA Advisory Board's recommendation for parking garage in downtown Old Englewood Village. They remarked that the meeting was excessively long because of the stormwater issue in Casey Key and the public comment about the issue that they did not stay for the remainder of meeting.

   She later remarked that the meeting with the CRA representatives had taken place and that they would send our inquiries and concerns to the appropriate departments and would get back with OEVA on their findings.

   Kathi then thanked all the board members for their work on the Winter Festival. She has had many involvements, but this seems to be the best one ever. She then deferred to the agenda for additional input.

   B. Vice-President Report: None

   C. Treasurer Report: The Treasurer's report was previously sent to the directors. Secretary Schepers made a motion to accept which was seconded by Director Amedio. The motion passed unanimously.

   D. Secretary Report: Secretary Schepers stated that a notice had previously been sent to the membership of the Annual Meeting and Board of Directors vote. He suggested a second notice be sent out to remind the membership. (Done 12/22/2025) The previous notice requested that anyone interested in being on the Board of Directors contact a current board member. They were also invited to attend this Board meeting today. No one expressed interest to any board member and there were no

visitors today. The Secretary said technically someone could appear at the Annual Meeting, but they would have to meet eligibility requirements to be nominated for any vacant position. Lacking any qualified members, the board will be at liberty to appoint anyone to any vacant board position at their regular board meetings.

5. **OLD BUSINESS:**

   A. Christmas/Winter Festival: The President gave some feedback on the Winter Festival. She suggested the event start earlier in the day especially if we decide to bring back the parade. She also suggested having several different raffle buckets designed for the age groupings of the children.

   She also said that media coverage was excellent but suggested we might advertise the event more and a lot earlier as we had several people expressed interest in donating if they knew sooner of the event. There were multiple ideas on what other organizations might be solicited and contacted for help in the event.

   Director Wickson suggested that a dumpster was not necessary and we could probably forego this expense.

6. **NEW BUSINESS:**

   A. Annual Meeting at Artur's on 1/20/2026. The President inquired as to who might be interested in various officer positions. Elaine Miller said she would be interested in serving as President and Jim Schepers would be interested in continuing as Secretary. Director Skubik expressed her desire to vacate the Treasurer position. We will need candidates for V.P. and Treasurer.

7. **ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Next Board Meeting will be held directly after the Annual Meeting

8. **ADJOURN:**

   Motion made by Joan Dobbins

   Second by Regina Kowalski

   Time of Adjournment: ___5:15 p.m._____