

Regency CO-OP Annual Membership Meeting/Board elections/Year's accomplishments - May 2010

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Members of the Regency Cooperative Association:

The CO-OP held its Annual Membership Meeting on May 13 in the Clubhouse. Because members had voted unanimously to elect a slate of candidates to fill open seats on the Board of Directors, the outgoing Board voted to elect the slate by acclamation. Members attending the Annual Meeting actively participated in an open forum, providing input/feedback to the Board regarding management of the CO-OP and suggesting new categories of service, as well new contractors to provide services. (Members' service category and contractor suggestions will be provided in a separate email.) Two attending members won \$50 gift-card door prizes.

Two founding Regency Cooperative Board Members, Wayne Smith and Don Giacomo, have left the Board after getting the CO-OP off to a sound beginning and serving us very well. Three newly elected Board Members (Nancy Canody, Gina Missett and Kathy Zuniga) have been serving us well since October in a provisional capacity. Bill Giusti is the fourth member of the newly elected slate. Seats held by Sheila Sax and Ken Barter will be open next May. The Regency CO-OP Board currently has a vacant Greenbrier (condo) seat.

This past year has been one of expansion and refinement for the Regency CO-OP:

- The Georgetown CO-OP became the Regency CO-OP, open to all Regency homeowners. At the beginning of October 2009 there were approximately 80 members. As of May 13, 2010, There were 224 (111 Georgetown, 100 single family and 10 Greenbrier).
- The Board added six new contractors and four new service categories: snow removal, landscape maintenance, pest control and carpet care.
- The Board improved the process for negotiating with contractors and renewed agreements with existing contractors.
- A part-time Administrator position was created (occupied by Sue Reitzig). The Administrator processes membership applications, handles the process of acquiring new contractors, keeps contractors informed of new members & members informed of new contractors. The position deals with myriad other tasks as well.
- The CO-OP's website was significantly enhanced to be more user friendly and to provide members with much more information. Tony Stremic, CO-OP Webmaster, does this work. He is not compensated for the time and skills he devotes to the website. As a token of appreciation, the Board has awarded Tony a \$100 stipend.
- The CO-OP held its first vendor fair last fall. In spite of rain, almost all contractors exhibited at the fair; and a good number of Regency residents attended the event.

The Board urges members to provide input and feedback about needed services and contractor performance. Let Board Members know about issues with contractors; and don't overlook passing on success stories, good experiences you have with contractors. The most efficient way to contact Board members is through the Regency CO-OP website, <http://regencycoop.org/>. When you go to the website and click on "Contact Us," the message you send goes to every Board Member, the Administrator and the Webmaster simultaneously.

We, the Board of Directors, look forward to another year of growth and refinement for the Regency Cooperative Association.

Thank you all for your membership and support,
Ken Barter, Board President

Addendum:

The new Board held its first meeting tonight, May 24, and elected the following officers:

President: Ken Barter
Vice President: Nancy Canody
Secretary: Kathy Zuniga
Treasurer: Bill Giusti
Members at Large: Sheila Sax, Regina Missett