Meeting called to order. Quorum established. Members in attendance: Linda Cautero, Sarah Quinn, Barbara Bracco, Denise Waite Milykovic, Josh Grant, Jim Shea. Linda explained this was an abbreviated meeting just to review past events and there would be a full meeting to review minutes of meetings and a full agenda in September. We had a resident in attendance as well as the new chef was at the meeting.

Josh introduced the chef and explained the duties of the committee members to him and asked the chef to give the committee a little bit of his background. There was then extensive dialogue between members of the committee and the chef.

- One comment from the committee was that in planning menus there should always be a health option on the menu to offset a particularly rich entree.
- The chef indicated also that he has been receiving a number of requests for gluten free meals which he is happy to accommodate.
- Linda also mentioned to the chef that she had input from residents that they could not stop talking about his barbecue sauces from the All American Barbecue Night. He was happy to hear the feedback.
- Linda said the newsletter said something about Cheeseburger being “plated” and there is confusion since it has always been buffet in the past. Josh said the wording needs to be changed. The format is still buffet but the burgers are going to be “cooked to order” and handed to individuals on a plate rather than sitting in the steamer so that is the difference but the wording needs to be changed in the flyer to avoid the confusion.

**Review of Events**

*Seafood Extravaganza* Everyone said the food was spectacular. Josh said, “Although the event was not profitable for the club, it was considered a success.” One committee member said she thought the crab legs tasted frozen. However, people were unhappy that the DJ left too early in the evening. Tom agreed that nothing should end before 10 or 10:30. The DJ evidently got the wrong information and left early and people were very unhappy. Josh said we have had some issues with information being transferred from the spreadsheet (which is prepared initially) to when the final planning is done and times are changed and therefore the DJ was given an earlier time to finish rather than the later closing time. We are working on a way to make sure there is more accuracy in getting those times straight.

- Denise also asked about the “no show” policy. She was a “no show” for the event. She said she agreed with being charged the full fee but did not feel that the 18% gratuity should also be charged in the no show fee. Management will look into this.
- Another comment from residents was it was too much of a good thing...too expensive. Then the committee discussed should we do the seafood without the music? But then you don’t have a really nice evening. Another committee member suggested you publish it as a “gourmet” evening. Discussion determined you’re not going to make everyone happy.

**Review of Calendar**

There was a discussion of upcoming events for the rest of the summer. Then there was discussion of the growing pains of the barbecue around the pool and how to manage the crowding around the pool as the numbers get bigger.
As committee members, we need to be thinking about what we can do to be proactive to anticipate the “sell out” issues and meeting member needs. Jim Shea pointed out that the CDD also hears the resident concerns. They value the input from the committee members. We are starting the processes of looking at what will be necessary at the end of the WCI contract to retain the employees at the end of the contract.

There are bound to be real issues with the facilities to handle the 1400 homes after the end of the build out of the community. How do we properly prioritize the key issues and how do we balance the facilities to service the people in season and at the same time balance them out of season? If people can’t use the facilities when they are here in season because the facilities are too small and too busy, they are going to be unhappy. At the same time, if we over expand and spend too much money and then the facilities are sitting idle off season, then they are unhappy because we have over spent. We must find that middle ground. We must make the systems better to handle as many people as possible in the most efficient manner and expand in the areas where it makes sense.

Josh mentioned in the annual survey the majority of the feedback was that fitness classes were too crowded and the special events sold out too quickly. We need to be more forward thinking. We are growing very quickly. We all need to be aware of this and it would be helpful to remind residents of the fact as well. Any good ideas are welcome.

Jim Shea mentioned he would not be here for the September 10 meeting.

Moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 11:05.