SAIA Board Meeting of August 18, 2026
Minutes

Meeting was called to order by Vice President Randy Adler. Also present: Amy Cook, Cyndy Feldman, Cara Johnson, Judy Maisel, Dan Parry, and Tom Woodward. Because Lauren could not attend, Tom agreed to take minutes

Tom had circulated minutes of the July meeting on 7/23. They were approved. Prior to the meeting, Lauren had communicated her willingness for the Board to approve or amend her minutes of the June meeting. The minutes were approved as amended by Tom.

Tom had submitted the Treasurer's report via e-mail. Revenues for the month were $2052.13; outlays were 1686.08; The current surplus for the FY was $19355.95; the balances in the bank accounts totaled $69022.80. The board approved the report.

With regard to the state of the Treasury, Randy wanted to know how much was available to begin clubhouse renovations. Tom said that under the current budget, that would be two to three thousand dollars. However, the general membership could amend the budget at the next general meeting to accommodate a larger expenditure.

To obtain an estimate of what amount is needed, the Board then discussed what upgrades were wanted. The discussion that followed generated the following outline:
1) The kitchen stove would remain in place, available for future use
2) The keg cooler under the bar would be removed
3) The cabinets in the kitchen would be painted, and hardware replaced with view to making the upper cabinets easier to open and close.
4) The storage cabinet under the bar would be replaced with one that better used the entire vertical space under the bar.
5) A small fridge would be placed under the bar in part of the space vacated by the cooler.
6) The current bar countertop would be replaced with a stone (i.e. granite, quartz or similar) surface, making sure that the area immediately above the sink is cut out to provide full access to the basins and faucet. The footprint of the bar area is to remain the same.
7) A new microwave oven

A plan to replace the trough in the Men's Room must await further research. Suggestions included two urinals, or one urinal and an expansion of the stall to make it roomier.

Administrative
Lauren communicated via e-mail that she would like to step away from the position of Secretary if there was someone who would take the job on to complete her term. Cyndy volunteered to do the job until a successor is elected in the regular election cycle. Tom made a motion that 1) the Board accept Lauren's resignation, 2) that Cyndy be appointed to the Secretary position, and 3) that Lauren be appointed to the Director position just vacated by Cyndy, so that she can remain on the board. The motion was seconded by Dan, and unanimously voted in.

Buildings and Grounds
It was noted that repairs to the wire fence at the Beach parking lot was still not done. Dan stated that he will attend to it shortly.
Cyndy reported that the port-a-john will be removed during the week after Labor Day.

Umbrellas will remain at the tables for a while longer, Cyndy reported that she thought that most of them could probably serve another year. She observed that if we want them to last longer, we need to acquire those that do **not** tilt as we replace them.
We have not received a receipt for the certified letter that we sent to Maguire Marine. It now seems unlikely that we will. Another version of the letter will be sent registered mail (without requiring a receipt).

Communications
Amy reported that she took some new pictures of the clubhouse for the webpage and had forwarded the to Sandra, ut that they had not yet been incorporated into the pages. Cyndy indicated that she would follow up with Sandra as per Sandra's e-mailed request for any webpage-related items needing her attention.
It was noted that the statement to the members concerning Maguire Marine, while posted on the webpage, had not yet gone out as an e-mail. Lauren is expected to send it out after she returns from out of town.

Community Action
There was no report from Tresha concerning obtaining financial assistance to alter the Boat Ramp to help ameliorate flooding of adjacent low-lying yards. Randy said that he expected no news for a while. Cyndy stated that she would check with Lauren about what else we may be doing for the scheduled neighborhood yard sale

Entertainment and Hospitality
Randy reported on the rafting to Dobbins Island event. He noted that there were a large number of boats there, accompanied by music for a well-behaved and enjoyable event. He added that his impression is that the property owner is quite reasonable concerning public use of the beach there. He further thought that we could work out an agreeable arrangement for organized use of the beach, especially if we bring to bear some manpower to help clean it up and maintain it in an attractive condition. He said that the event needs better coordination and that next year he expects to better use the sign to communicate, and may want to hand out some Shore Acres-themed swag as part of generating interest.
Cyndy reported that Crab Feast ticket sales so far have been minimal. It was observed that the event is too far off yet to conclude anything from that, especially since the pricing is a bargain that should attract many comers. More announcement/reminders will be forthcoming.

Finance
Cyndy reported membership just shy of 190, a bit low for this point in the year. She will soon send out her second mailing of reminders targeted to those households most likely to respond. It was agreed that she would compose a sign for the sign board to remind members to join, with a plan to post it between other signs as they go down and up.
Tom asked how she felt about the work involved for her if we set up a mechanism on the website for people to check if their membership is current. She said that would be okay with her; she and Tom agreed to consult Sandra about setting it up.

Old Business
Tom formally reported what he had communicated via e-mail on 8/1, that the asking price for the property at the corner of Landon and Magothy had been increased by the owner from $50k to $100k and therefore out of the range that the Association could manage.

He looked into the possibility of getting funds from Project Open Space. This is a possibility, but requires that the space be open to anyone, not just Shore Acres. The consensus of the Board was that this was not a deal-breaker, and Tom was authorized to investigate further.

The Meeting was adjourned.