

Minutes  
Friends of Ives Pool/WSCS  
Board Meeting and Annual Meeting, 13 December 2010  
Sebastopol City Hall

In attendance: Virginia Porter, Alan Siegle, Liza Prunuske, Ricardo Freitas

Members of the public: Emily Scott, George Kuhn

Meeting called to order at 6:00 pm.

### **MINUTES**

- Virginia moved to approve the minutes of the November 15 and October 18 meetings, Liza seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

- None

### **ELECTION BUSINESS**

- Liza and Alan met with George and Emily to discuss their tie for third place in the Board election. Their collective proposal is that George and Emily share a seat with one vote when all Board members are present, and one acts as an alternate Board member if another member is absent. If they cannot agree on their one vote, they would flip a coin.
- Alan made a motion that they share one Board position, fill in as an alternate if another Board member is missing, and that the bylaws be amended to reflect this arrangement. Liza seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

### **REPORTS**

#### **President**

- Virginia checked in with Katy and Krystal while Ricardo was on vacation and continued work on the membership letter

#### **Pool Manager**

- Ricardo had nothing to add to his written report. Katy and Krystal did a great job while he was gone.

#### **Treasurers Report**

- Alan presented the 2011 budget. He noted the gap between revenue and expenses is narrowing. Pool use was affected by cool summer weather this past year.
- Liza made a motion to approve the budget. Virginia seconded. The motion passed 3-0.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **Membership/fundraising campaign**

- Virginia has a draft letter ready. It will be sent to about 1000 people—the current members plus regular users. This year, it will be just a one-page mailer to save costs.
- Virginia requested that Ricardo announce the membership drive on his movable sign board. Liza said she would also post an announcement on the bulletin board.
- George suggested that we make sure people know that our organization has tax-exempt status from the IRS. Companies often match employee donations if they are tax-exempt.
- Liza reported that Ann Krinard had already added over 20 members from the aqua aerobics participants.

### **Latino Outreach**

- Ricardo will start work with C2 on the outreach effort in January.
- Virginia requested that it include adults as well as children.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Chlorination system**

- The system's controller is not working properly.
- The City has decided it more cost-effective to replace it (5-yr warranty) than repair it (90-day warranty). The cost for installation and training is \$9,000. The City has asked if we could pay a portion.
- Discussion followed. We have spent a considerable amount in last 6-7 years on capital improvements and intend to spend more in the near future on the alcove improvements, benches, women's locker room, and more.
- Liza made a motion to contribute \$2,000. Virginia seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0. Virginia will draft a letter to the City and Alan will review it.

### **Scuba request**

- Virginia reported that she had received and responded to a request to use the pool for scuba training. Our insurance does not allow scuba use.

### **Pool statement to City Council**

- Virginia will check in with the Council to find out a good time to make our annual State of the Pool Address. Usually we appear in January or February. It will be a nice opportunity to introduce the new board.

### **Multi-purpose room next steps**

- Board members discussed the following ideas and suggestions for the multi-purpose to present to the next Board:
  - Consider a flexible space with movable dividers that could be used to create multiple spaces as needed.
  - The space could be used for birthday parties and other events to help raise revenue for the pool.

- During his Board interview, Steve Sheldon offered an intriguing idea of using the alcove renovation to help better integrate the pool with the park as part of the new park plan.
- We could consider renovation of the staff locker room which is in very poor condition.
- Virginia cautioned against grandiose plans. We need a functional, usable space and we need to be careful to spend the \$36,000 as intended in the gift.

**Next meeting day and date**

- After a long discussion about finding another regular day for monthly meetings, the Board agreed to meet at least once more on a Monday for January, and then let the new Board choose a regular meeting time that works for all directors.
- The next meeting will be January 24 at 6pm at City Hall.

**January meeting agenda**

- Alan and Liza will prepare an agenda for the next meeting.

**Items of interest from Board members**

- none

Meeting adjourned at 7:03 pm to executive session for discussion of personnel matters.