

MINUTES

Friends of Ives Pool / WSCS

Board Meeting, July 15, 2013

In attendance: Tim Birnie, Liza Prunuske, Randi Flecker, Ricardo Freitas, George Kuhn and Emily Scott.

In attendance for Public Comment: Sarah Schomp, Barbara Deedler and Lynn Deedler

Meeting called to order at 6:00 PM

Public Comment: (to be continued after Board member reports are complete.)

- Sarah Schomp said that aqua aerobics loves the water temperature.

Minutes Approval

- Lynn and Barbara Deedler requested that the Board secretary include her name at the end of the minutes. They also asked that the minutes are posted on the website more regularly. Emily agreed and assured them that she would address those matters.
- Ricardo asked that Emily correct minutes from September.

President's Report

- Liza said that temperatures are controversial again because she's been getting emails from some saying too warm and others saying too cold.
- Liza asked Randi to work with Ricardo regarding Greer Upton's informative email about safety tips.
- A new hot water heater for the showers has been ordered. The pool heater is underway.
- Tim, Ricardo and Liza met with a painter from the City of Public Works to determine a color for the buildings. The new colors will be blue, red trim, gray fences and adobe for one wall. The picnic tables will be painted too.

Pool Manager's Report

- Vamos a Nadar at Ives and in Santa Rosa at the biggest turnouts (74 swimmers) for the year.
- Ricardo said he's been busy training new staff members.
- Virginia Porter and Chris Andregg made the adult swim class possible. About 6 adults have already attended @ \$15.00 per session.
- We have already provided scholarships to several children from the scholarship program.
- Ricardo was elected onto the Chamber of Commerce Board. Congratulations Ricardo!

Treasurer's Report

- Income is 7.9% up.
- Expenses are also up. Pool chemicals and swim lessons staffing were the primary costs.
- C.D.'s will be completed by the August meeting.
- Worker's Comp. is up 25%.

Sculpture Jam

- Sarah Schomp announced that she is a representative for the upcoming Sculpture Jam at Ives Pool. She and a local group of artists have been constructing a 9ft tall fish sculpture that will be installed in the grassy area. Sarah asked that anyone interested in learning more please visit sculpturejam.org. The group of artists has spent a lot of money on the project. They have decided to do fundraising to help defray the cost of materials. They have made small art pieces (pins) for people to buy for a donation.
- Liza encouraged the Board to spread the word.

- Ricardo asked that the Board make a donation of \$200.00 to the Sculpture Jam artists. Emily made it a motion. All were in favor.
- George asked how the base will be constructed. Sarah replied that they will work with the city on the base so make sure it's structurally sound and secure.
- The installation will take place at Ives on September 21-22. All are invited.
- As a side note, Sarah requested grab bars all the way around the perimeter of the women's shower. The Board agreed that they would have them installed.

Pool Steps

- Liza said that a contractor checked out the plans for inset steps that can be installed in September, when the city resurfaces the pool. The city has approved funding for the pool resurfacing but inset steps were not included. Liza has worked with the city to try to get them included in the funding, as the steps are not a big deal to install and the contractor has been responsive. The cost for each set of steps (4 steps per set) would be approximately \$3,000. The initial plan for was for three sets of steps. Liza wonders if we need all three and asked three main questions:
 - Do we pay for the steps?
 - How many?
 - Where do they go?
- Board members and Lynn and Barbara Deedler discussed the various options. George suggested three sets. Ricardo suggested two sets in the large pool and one set in the small pool.
- Liza thinks we can afford three sets and should ask the city to fund at least one. She also pondered whether we only opt for four sets if the city helps, or if we should opt for a certain number regardless of funding?
- Liza made a motion that the Board funds 4 sets of steps, but ask if the city will pay for one set. Motion passed.
- Lynn had a lot of comments about the steps.
- He said the Board should try to get financial assistance.
- He sees a problem with going to the county for safety codes because, in theory, the county safety code requires four sets of steps for each pool. Additionally, there is a spacing problem because of stainless steel facing, which can make installation problematic. (Liza provided the county code literature at the meeting).
- Liza insisted that the contractor take it up with the county.
- George asked if the gutter could be a stepping platform.
- Lynn said that the city has been very generous with funding, and questions whether the Board should ask for more. Liza stated that she didn't see any harm in asking.
- Liza made a motion to authorize up to \$12,000 towards four sets of steps. Motion passed.

Fundraising

- Tim met with George and they came up with several good suggestions for fundraising. First, they thought it would help to plan a community meeting to present plans for the pool. But first, they need a concrete proposal.
- Liza and Ricardo interviewed three contractors to get their professional opinions. They had great knowledge about ADA requirements. None of them thought the buildings need a roof rebuild. Six new showers will be needed. Ventilation should be enhanced. Also, we should anticipate running into old damages, such as plumbing issues.
- The big question is: What is the extent of ADA requirements? That would determine if the project is large or small-scale.
- Lynn interjected that spending time and money with an architect for a simple project seems

unnecessary. He feels that there are competent pool users who could do it for free. He said very little architecture would be involved and that Mark Level would provide a stamp. The main details exist in the drawing work. Lynn thinks we should keep it local and as simple as possible.

Old Business

- Stroke clinic is planned for July 28 from 11-12:30
- Pool will be closed during that time except for family swim.

Next Meeting: September 9th at 6:00PM.

Meeting adjourned at 7:52PM

Minutes recorded by Emily Scott