

## **MINUTES**

### **Friends of Ives Pool / WSCS**

#### **Board Meeting, November 19, 2012**

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

Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m. at Ives Pool

#### **Minutes**

- The October minutes were approved.

#### **President's Report**

- Liza has been receiving positive feedback from pool users regarding wintertime pool temperatures.

#### **Pool Manager's Report**

- Sebastopol Sea Serpents hosted a successful swim meet in November.
- Ricardo has been working with the city on cleaning out the gutters. He and staff also conducted a large scale clean-up of the entire facility.
- Fall swim lessons were very successful. Signups increased by more than 50% from last year. This is partly due to the fact that Ricardo opened up another session of lessons.
- The Facebook page has been successful and receives a lot of attention from pool users.
- There was an emergency pool closure on Sunday, November 18<sup>th</sup> due to a problem with the variable speed motor. Ricardo requested to have a new one installed. The pool saves around \$200.00 and 2,000 kilowatts per month by using this motor. Without it, energy costs and use would go up.
- The motor has exhibited problems during inclement weather. When it broke the city worked diligently to fix the motor.
- The water temperature dropped to 57 degrees in less than 24 hours of the motor being broken.
- Liza pointed out that the lift has been working very well since it was repaired.

#### **Treasurer's Report**

- George handed out a graph that indicates income versus expense by group.
- The year to date income has increased by roughly \$20,000. This has a lot to do with optimal weather and other components. Membership dues, swim lessons, aqua aerobics and Gentle Water Fitness are all up.
- George looks forward to being able to see a concrete year to date difference/comparison.
- Ricardo said that he was very impressed that the operating profit is up by 81%. This is because the expenses are the same as last year, yet sales are up, giving more service and expanding programs.
- George concluded his report by stating that there is money to invest into various bank accounts.

## **Old Business**

- Emily notified the Board about the upcoming holiday sing-along in December.
- Liza said that Pam from aqua aerobics might be able to make a sign.

## **Pool Temperature**

- Most people have been very happy with the increased pool temperature, including several Board members.

## **Facility Upkeep**

- Randi volunteered to collect items of interest/concern for upkeep and construct a checklist.
- Tim suggested that Ricardo make a list since he's the person in charge.
- Liza said that many problems will be addressed and corrected when the shower rooms are upgraded.
- Ricardo stated that he and his staff conduct intensive cleanings every 2-3 months. He also pointed out that certain things can't be cleaned, such as rust, tile stains, decay, etc. He said that they need a budget for certain maintenance projects, such as replacing concrete, wood and glass.
- It was agreed that the women's locker room is in worse condition than the men's locker room due to heavy, constant use.
- George asked how much it would cost to repair these problems.
- Ricardo listed off the multiple high priority maintenance projects he's conducted and that even after all the cleaning the facility could look better. To make it look better will cost an a lot of money, since the building wasn't made for the volume of people and use it gets every day. Though costly, he believes it's an attainable project.

## **New Business**

### **Shower Room Upgrade/Donation Made to Ives Pool**

- Liza and Ricardo announced that Ives Pool received a generous donation of \$16,000 from generous community members. The donation must be used by March 31<sup>st</sup>.
- Liza and Ricardo have discussed various potential projects including new stalls, tiles, showerheads, floors, floor mat, more hooks and a rack.
- Everyone agreed that benches should not be installed until there is a larger plan for upgrading the shower rooms.
- Liza expressed that the women who want extra showers built in the future are not being ignored.
- Liza brought up Tim's project to work on procurement process development. Tim, George and Ricardo will be on the committee.
- Emily addressed requests for a scale in the women's room. It was agreed that it would be damaged or broken, and that there's no room to put one in light of the cramped quarters.
- George made a motion to accept the donation and that the Board will use it by March 31, 2013. Randi seconded the motion. All were in favor.

- Liza brought up the election bylaw changes that still need to be made, to which Ricardo suggested they be addressed on the Board Retreat in 2013.

### **Board Retreat**

- Liza proposed that the Board go on a daytime retreat. This could be a day where the Board can have lunch and spend the day talking and sharing ideas together in a low-pressure, relaxed environment.
- Liza said she's willing to figure out the location and the date was set for Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Monday, January 21<sup>st</sup>.

### **Miscellaneous New Business**

- The Sea Serpents requested installing a small storage shed. Ricardo approved it with a few conditions. He wants to have access and that it's kept clean. He also stated that he talked to the city and they have no problem with this.
- Tim made a motion that the Board approve the request to give the facility a key to the shed, keep the shed clean, and that if the city approves it they may need to cut down a small tree to make space for the shed. Emily seconded the motion. All were in favor.
- Ricardo handed out calendars to Board members as holiday gifts. He suggested that members who donate over \$50.00 to the pool receive a calendar. Liza also suggested that City Council members receive calendars.

### **Next Meeting: January 7, 2013**

### **Items of Interest**

- George readdressed the pool maintenance project and what kind of fundraising the Board may want to consider.
- The Board discussed how people can donate specifically to the Shower Room Project. Liza said that she will include it in the membership letter.
- Ricardo announced the holiday schedule.
- Emily discussed fundraising ideas for the 100 Mile Club and masters team.
- Tim suggested a "Healthy Sebastopol" fundraising campaign.
- Ricardo suggested a stroke clinic in February. To attend, the swimmer pays a \$10.00 donation that goes toward the 100 Mile Club. The clinic will be on a Saturday at 3:30 pm.
- Emily announced that she will organize the stroke clinic and get in touch with Tim about dates.
- George suggested to Liza that she mention the 100 Mile Club and stroke clinic in the membership letter.

### **Meeting adjourned at 8:00pm**

