

Minutes of Aquatics Advisory Committee

January 11, 2023

Ocean Pines Library

Present:

Gary Miller (Vice-Chair), Maria Lawrence, Amy Hasson, Vivian Koroknay, Steve Ransdell (remote)

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Committee Vice-Chair, Gary Miller at 3:00 P.M.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes from the October meeting were approved without amendment.

Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved unanimously.

New Afternoon Class at Sports Core Pool

- An update on the status of the new afternoon class was provided. In order to be sustainable, we needed a minimum of five participants. That minimum was met. The first offering had six participants. Class is currently ongoing.

We are looking for additional committee members

Draft Proposal to OP BOD re: pool memberships (Steve Ransdell, Gary Miller and Vivian Koroknay)

- The sub-committee shared recommended revisions to the proposal
 - Included more justification for the proposal incorporating survey results
 - Renamed "Grandparent" rate to "Two-person" or "couples" rate
 - Added new "Extended Family Members Weekly Pass" for up to four visitors
 - In light of lifeguard shortage, recommend no change in daily rate for OP residents
 - Recommend an increase in non-resident rate to hopefully reduce pool overcrowding
- Sub-committee members shared the rationale behind revisions.
- Full committee Discussion raised the following points.
 - Use of survey information is very good.
 - When renters go to the pool, currently they are not required to provide any proof that they are, in fact, renters. Pool staff takes them at their word and admits them at the member rates.
 - Should we institute some type of Renter Pass? Committee vice-chair volunteered to check on current policy.
 - Question was raised about how residency is verified before admission at the member rate?
 - Currently admission policies rely on the "honor system"
- **Decision:** Sub-committee will update the draft policy by Friday and the committee co-chair will submit to our Board Liaison for presentation to the full Board of Directors.

Pre-Summer Season Party (Em Hench, Steve Ransdell, Gary Miller and Maria Lawrence)

- Committee vice-chair provided an update on this project
- Need other Committees input
- Information was sent to all OP Recreational Amenity Advisory Committee Chairs requesting input and interest in participating
- Rec & Parks Committee, Racquet Sports, Marine Activities & Golf all expressed interest in participating
- **Moving forward:**
 - Vice-chair will contact respondents for follow-up, requesting someone to serve on planning committee and any ideas they may have
 - At our next meeting will need a Go/No Go vote
 - Sub-committee will create a “straw man” plan for presentation at our next meeting

Next Meeting: Feb. 15, 2023 at 3:00PM at Library

Respectfully submitted;
Steve Ransdell
Recording Secretary