

DRUMMOND HILL POOL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Minutes – 2/21/10 MEETING

The meeting was called to order @ Board Member Ed Broadbelt's home at 4:10 pm.

Board Members Present: Rich Frymoyer, Ed Broadbelt, Sean Daly, Veronica Everett, Greg Gonye, Vincenza Pilla, Roger Walker and Rick Becker. Manager Christina James was also present and Alex Broadbelt dropped by to give a warm welcome to his parents guests. A quorum was present.

- I. The minutes of the 9/5/09 Annual Meeting and 1/31/10 Board Meeting were approved.
- II. Committee Reports
 - a. Finance – Rich Frymoyer –
 1. The proposed budget for 2010 was approved.
 2. The current top coat of paint on the pool is 3 years old and a new coat is needed. Christina James indicated that last season, some of the cloudiness in the water was attributed by AMS to the coat of paint dissolving. A discussion over the pros and cons of having members provide the labor and paint the pool was held. The bid by AMS for a coat of paint is around \$4,500. DHP would save approximately \$3,000 if the pool members painted the pool. Member painting will require all of at least one day, in late April. AMS includes the draining of the pool and acid wash of the walls in the opening, then there can be a 2-3 week opening to put a coat of paint on the pool. Rick Becker will send a dedicated e-mail to the membership, seeking commitments for the weekend days of the last 2 weekends in April, with the goal to be to paint on the first day clear weather day after the pool is drained. If sufficient interest is shown by the membership, we will move forward with membership painting. If there is not sufficient interest, then AMS will be contracted to paint the pool. Roger Walker suggested that should we opt to paint the pool by members, a representative of the paint supplier be asked to come to the pool and evaluate the surface. The repaint issue will be reviewed by the Board at the next meeting.
 3. The wading pool's VG Baker Act compliance system continually set off false alarms last year, resulting the pump for that pool shutting down regularly. Rather than replace the alarm / override system (and continue to have to address it's mechanical failures every 2 – 3 years), the board approved the proposed alternative, to have a 2nd drain installed in the pool, the quote by AMS is \$1,600, included within the approved budget.

4. Rich reported that the PayPal tests had been successful and we are able to accept credit card and ECF payments for dues this season.
 5. The Board approved Rich's suggestion to send membership packages to the majority of the 2008 members who did not return in 2009, on the hope that the finances of some of the families had recovered from the Great Recession sufficiently to return to the pool.
 6. We will continue to accept Zingos receipts, which will be communicated to the members via e-mail.
- b. Pool and Grounds – Dates for clean up will be finalized later this week so that they can be included in the membership mailing. Paul Everett has offered to look into replacement of the toilets in the Ladies room.
- c. Membership – Ed Broadbelt reported that the membership committee met and discussed a number of options, including a 'donut' approach shared between Rich Frymoyer and Colleen Hoban after last season. The committee was recommending the same basic structure as in the years, with the following changes: \$15.00 per membership dues increase; Increase after hours rental to \$100 (plus lifeguards); Members will be able to purchase a bundle of 10 guest passes for \$30 (check at the guardshack), otherwise \$5 per guest charged as before. These changes were unanimously approved. Rick Becker suggested that we may consider changing our current babysitter / grandparent classification. Currently, if a non-resident babysitter / grandparent provides day care for part of one day per week, they may be included within the family's membership at no extra charge. Becker noted that most other pools have a separate charge for babysitters or grandparents, ranging from \$50 to \$120. The board unanimously agreed to continue our current structure of allowing the non-resident babysitters and grandparents at no extra charge, and that to the extent the membership chairs or manager felt that someone was abusing the pools liberal definition of household, it would be addressed on a case by case basis.

Ed Broadbelt presented a proposed new member flyer, which was approved with minor revisions. Ed and Lee will begin the annual "flyering" of neighborhoods next week and the flyer will be posted on the Website. Christina James will seek permission from the principal at Shue-Medill for distribution of the flyers to the students at the middle school.

It was approved that a 2nd "memberships available" banner be purchased and be placed at the corner of Chadd Road and New Linden Hill Road. Ed Broadbelt will make the arrangements.

It was not clear whether the winner of the Pike Creek Christian School silent auction membership from 2009 was in the membership database. Rich Frymoyer will contact Chris Champion to follow up.

An open house for Saturday June 5 was approved.

Ed Broadbelt suggested that a dedicated e-mail be sent to the membership, asking each family to try to bring a neighbor / friend to the pool at some point during the season, with the confidence that the pool sells itself.

- d. Social – Vincenza Pilla – Vincenza provided a list of dates for the social schedule, continuing the events of the past year. A discussion was held over the timing of the Shrimp & Clam Bake (formerly known as the adult social, formerly known as the performer named Prince). The Board approved the clam bake for Saturday June 26.
- e. Swim Team – The swim team committee is meeting the coming week and will decide what materials will be included in the membership mailing. Sean McClory has accepted an offer to return as head coach. Assistant coaches are still being decided upon.
- f. Vision & Improvements – Status of the Committee / mission of the committee / chair was deferred. A discussion was held over what actions occurred at the committee level the past year.

III. Old Business

- a. None.

IV. New Business

- a. A discussion was held over the current rule for minors to be left at the pool without supervision. The website rules indicated that a child must be at least 11 years of age and able to pass a swim test to be left at the pool without adult supervision. “Adult” is not defined. Christina James indicated that last season, a member was leaving a 7 year old at the pool under the supervision of a 12 year old. At some point during the season, it was informally agreed that the ‘supervision’ needed to be at least 16 years of age and would be handled on a case by case basis. The board agreed to continue the current practice of the manager handling any possible concerns over the maturity of the supervising ‘adult’ on a case by case basis. Christina also indicated that certain parents would, from time to time, ask whether she (as manager) would serve as the responsible adult for a minor for a specified period of time, and knowing the families and children, she usually agreed. Several board members expressed concern over the practice, but generally the consensus was to allow the manager to use her discretion to address the issue as needed.
- b. Rick Becker reported that Pike Creek Racquet and Swim Club (formerly TLB Club) has suffered a severe membership decline and is not opening this season.

Members who know PCRS members are being asked to pitch Drummond Hill. Maple Valley was reported to be discussing their membership decline issues as well, with the decision being made to revise their membership structure and seek renewed and new members, and to re-evaluate whether or not to open for this season as of May 1. The Board agreed that we would not actively recruit Maple Valley members in the interim, with the hope that they are able to open.

- V. The Next Board Meeting will be held Sunday, March 21, 2010, at 4:00 P.M., at the Walkers, 6 Bemis Road.

- V. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.