

MINUTES
Friends of Ives Pool / WSCS
Board Meeting
June 20, 2011

In Attendance: Lynn Deedler, Liza Prunuske, George Kuhn, Emily Scott, Tim Birnie, Ricardo Freitas,

Members of the Public: George Triest (sp?)

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

MINUTES

- Minutes from the May 23, 2011 meeting were read and approved unanimously

PUBLIC COMMENT

- George Triest acknowledged the Board for the fine job they are doing.

REPORTS

President

- Liza reported on her meetings:
 - 1) with Ricardo
 - 2) the Fundraising “posse”
 - 3) Lynn Deedler re the projects.
 - 4) Brian re inline emitters which have now been installed. She also reported that Brian would like to expand the flowers on the right side of the stairs, but is not a high priority at this time.
 - 5) She also talked with Alan Siegle regarding Ricardo’s ability to spend money on the pool. Ricardo was authorized to spend on his own up to \$450 and beyond that he needed to talk to at least one board member. With a board member’s permission he was authorized to spend up to \$750.
 - 6) Liza stated that she would like to put the minutes of our board meetings on our website so that the public can have access to those.

Pool Manager’s Report

- Ricardo reported that there were 175,000 kw from the solar system; 620 hits on the website; a new Facebook page was opened with 11 hits so far. Ricardo tries to put something new on Facebook site. The summer schedule is working well. Ricardo reported that there are 62 Vamos participants from Sebastopol, Graton and Rohnert Park. There have been no parent sign-ups, but they are planning a bilingual class and approximately 15 kids have signed up, and hope to have 20-25 altogether. The lesson sign-ups are slow but the second session is almost full. Ricardo talked about the need for getting an article in the West County News regarding Vamos a Nader.

OLD BUSINESS

Capital Improvements / Future Projects Update

- Lynn Deedler reported on the shade structure: The fabric would cost about \$2,700; the steel structure about \$2,200; the sign approximately \$400, for a total of \$5,300. Glenn from the Sebastopol Building Department sees it as a major project and has now given Lynn a lengthy laundry list of specs that he needs. Liza will also talk to Glenn. We talked about the need for a contractor who has had previous contracts with the city for insurance purposes. Ricardo thought the project could be done after August 14.
- The locker room benches: Lynn reported on bids for the benches to be milled, cut to size and finished: An East Coast bid of \$4,000, and local bids around \$10,000. Lynn thought he could do the removal and clean-up of the old benches, and there are a couple of cabinet shops that will oversee the project. Ricardo asked if we need Glenn's approval for those benches, and the one bench in the women's locker room. Lynn agreed that he would consult with Liza and the Board agrees that Liza has full authority to sign any contracts needed.
- Floors: we need to do a sample floor, probably in the staff locker room.
- Lighting: CVS had their environmental impact report rejected, and Lynn reported that they were denied for implausible reasons. Liza stated that we can wait on the lighting issue until we see what happens with all of that. Before the minutes for our previous meeting were prepared, the West County News reported that the City Council had overruled the Planning Department's ruling on CVS and has now approved CVS so we will wait to see how to proceed.
- Locker Room: The door is installed; the contract has been looked at but is still pending.
- Deck Repairs are on hold until we need to close the pool for other reasons.
- Lynn Deedler explained how the flooring could be repaired without putting in a whole new floor. He did a drawing to show how the epoxy mix is used, along with a sealer, and sprinkle work on top of that, and the edge work. He explained how the high pressure wash blew off some of the sealer so it exposed the epoxy level layer and that would just need to be prepared. The current bid for the floor (\$12,000) is higher than for the original bid.
- There were several questions raised about what to do with coving, what to do with the flooring (sticking with existing flooring, possible keeping the existing flooring, changing color). Everyone agreed we can wait until the staff room floor is done and then we can reevaluate.
- Sign: Three years ago the board had approved canvas-type sign, and this may need another approval from Glen. Liza was going to receive a new email with the new

lettering. Everyone agreed that the logo is actually fine, but it is the lettering that may need to be updated.

- **Tile:** Liza agreed that she will take over that project, and that nothing much has happened, but that she found out we should use porcelain tile for durability. We talked about using a theme, like a quilt in which each tile is different and has its' own pattern, or set up a pattern that fits for all of the tiles. Everyone agreed that the Sea Serpents, Analy, El Molino area with the signatures looks very good and we may need to get a grant to follow up with this.
- **Fundraising Update:** Tim Birnie reported on the The Fundraising Posse's meeting. The group agrees that it is important to get a newsletter going so we can get the word out about our fundraising project with a theme of "Make Waves for West County". We would also want to get information out about an October swim bash at the pool, and possibly set up a 100-mile club with some incentives and awards, such as T-shirts and bottles for each level that a participant reaches. Emily agreed she would do the writing for the newsletter. Tim Birnie reported that he talked to Layla with the Sea Serpents. They have a very simple newsletter and would be happy to participate. If we could get participants from the underwater hockey group and the water exercise classes to each contribute articles about those groups, the newsletter could be something that people really look forward to.
- **The Garden:** Brian spent \$450 of his own money last year. It was moved and approved by the Board that we pay him \$300 for his expenses. There was some explanation of how Brian took on the garden and became the volunteer gardener. That led to a discussion about the annual pass.
- **Annual Pass:** The main discussion was between having it limited to Ricardo versus the Board and Ricardo. The Board then voted and decided that it should be Ricardo's decision regarding annual passes.
- A discussion took place regarding scheduling. Ricardo reported that on a weekly basis there are 17 hours of family swim, 25 hours of Sea Serpents swimming, 2.5 hours water hockey, 2 hours water exercise, 7.5 hours aqua aerobics, 16 hours public swim, 2 hours Masters swim, 44 hours lap swim in summer and 48 hours in winter, 46 hours in spring. In addition there is some sharing of the lap swim with the public swim, so that we have the highest lap swim by far of any of the pools in Sonoma County.
- The Board discussed adding Lisa to the checking account as a signer. It was moved and approved that both Lisa and George will be on the West America Bank checking account and able to sign checks on behalf of the Board.
- **Multi-purpose Room:** Discussion about using the storage room and not necessarily enclosing the breezeway. Lynn Deedler stated that his first choice about the funds that his mother donated to the pool would be to return the funds to them and they would figure out how to use it in a public way. The second choice would be to use the funds for

making this multi-purpose room. Lynn has a collection of all the plans that have been proposed. The current plan is a good one. It was agreed that Liza will send an acknowledging letter and that we will move forward with getting the multi-purpose room completed.

- We talked further about some scheduling issues. Based on the dates for the Pumpkin Swim Meet and arrived at either October 8 or October 15 in the late afternoon at 4:00 p.m. for our October Swim Bash. It would be a chance to introduce Board candidates, give some awards, etc. The consensus was that October 8 might work better because weather gets more challenging as it gets later in the year.

Next Board Meeting Date

- The next Board meeting is scheduled for July 25, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. Ricardo will not be available for that meeting. After the Board recessed there was further discussion regarding the logo. Lynn stated he likes the current logo. Emily and George said they really liked the logo when they saw it. There was discussion about taking a look at the printing on that logo or just retaining it as is.