

WATERTOWN COMMUNITY RECREATION CENTER
BOARD MEETING – May 6, 2016

PRESENT: Mike Peterson, Brian Richter, Darrel Stacy, Keith Enstad, Carrie Dylla, Mike Danforth, Gary Grewing, Scott Johnston and John Small–Staff.

ABSENT: Dr. Jon McAreavery, Tom Franken

Mike Peterson called the meeting to order.

Approval of Minutes: Gray Grewing made a motion to approve the April 2016 minutes, seconded by Keith Enstad. The motion carried.

Approval of Bills: Keith Enstad made a motion to approve the March bills as printed and distributed, seconded by Gary Grewing. The motion carried.

Staff Input: Jodi Hemiller, Aquatics Director, discussed her position with the board. She's in charge of all aquatics programs including swimming lessons, lifeguarding, and water aerobics, as well as our triathlons and volleyball. The pool is very highly utilized in our current location and that will continue at the new facility. Jodi is concerned about staffing lifeguards. After this summer, she'd like to hire more adult lifeguards. We certify several lifeguards and swimming lesson teachers here, but few are interested in working here. They have jobs at the outdoor pool or in neighboring towns. She requests that we change the lifeguard wage here to match the wage at the outdoor pool. That will need to be approved by the Finance Office first but the argument is sound.

Old Business

New Facility Update: Mike Danforth gave an update on the progress of the new building. They will start digging the pool on May 9. Sheet rock is started and stud walls are up in the locker room. We are on schedule to open around March 2017 but Mike wants everyone prepping as if we were opening January 1.

Mike and John are also trying to determine whether a pool cover for the new facility is justified. We may decide to go without it for a year and see what the utility bills and chemical usage end up being. Mike is checking to see if we can keep that money in another account for a year and still use it if we need it. The infrastructure for the cover will be set up either way, so we can always add it later.

Online Sign Up: We allowed people to register online for Red Cross swimming lessons. There were a few issues but it went well overall. We will be allowing online sign up for our Boot Camp that begins in June also.

JO Tournament: The tournament was held April 9-10. We did not see the number of teams we've had in the past but it was still a great tournament with 52 teams. Revenue earned was \$10,605, minus \$3,278 in expenses, for a profit of \$7,327.

New Business

Joint/Powers Committee: No Report.

Membership Report: For the month of March, the Rec Center had 23 new members join and 20 members drop. The current number of membership contracts is at 1,691, an increase of 271 contracts or 19% from this time last year. Total number of individual members of youth, teenagers, Vo Tech students, and adults is 5,376, an increase of 439 individuals from the previous year.

Silver Sneakers/Silver & Fit: John reported that for the month of February, Silver Sneakers and Silver & Fit brought in a total of \$3,746 with participation of 366 between the two programs.

Boys/Girls Club Report: No Report.

Personnel/Finance Committee Report:

February Update: March revenue was \$75,484. Expenses were \$78,790. There was a deficit of \$3,306 for the month of March.

Budget YTD 2016: Revenue \$235,427 with total expense of \$234,275. YTD, there is a surplus of \$1,152.

Program Revenue/Expense Report: JO Volleyball Tournament profited \$7,327. Coed Volleyball League profited \$2,325. Open Volleyball League profited \$1,532.

Acknowledge of Volunteers: None.

Facility Report:

Pool Issues: There have been a few instances where the filter kicks some sand back out into the pool. We just have to vacuum it up and it's fine. We don't want to do any major repairs since we'll be moving to the new facility. Trying to keep costs at a minimum and "band-aid" things instead of replacing them.

Other Business:

Membership Changes at New Facility: John's research suggests we should add a Married Couples Membership. Scott Johnston made a motion to add the Married Couples Membership, seconded by Mike Danforth. The motion passes. John also suggests that we raise the age to qualify as senior citizen from 55 to 60. Both spouses must be 60 to qualify. Scott Johnston made a motion to raise the Senior Citizen Age from 55 to 60, seconded by Mike Danforth. The motion passes. No action was taken on senior citizen discounts or determining the frequency membership rates would increase.

Next board meeting: Friday, June 3, 2016.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

John Small, Rec Center Staff

Mike Peterson

Date

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