

Little Neck Swim and Racquet Club
Monthly Meeting
June 15, 2009

Board Members: Margaret Derrick, Jeanene Wolfe, Carole Sharpe, Lisa Conrad, John Brown, Al Craft
Committee Chairs: Grace Carlson, Mary Vance, Bill Gill, Lindsay Reavis, Nancy Hansson
Employees: Suzi Pease
Guests: Rosemary Vance

Meeting opened by Margaret. The necessary quorum was present. Requested any changes to the May minutes. Motion to approve the May minutes by John. Seconded by Lisa. May minutes adopted.

Rosemary Vance introduced herself. Concerned with hiring practices of the kids this year; two of her three children were not hired. Discussion included inquiring what she hopes to get out of coming here tonight, that hiring is not slanted towards members however members do get extra points in their interview grading, should we consider hiring only member kids or not hiring any member kids, need to put the trust in our manager who performs an objective hiring process, the kids in this community are incredible overachievers and this makes it difficult to hire every great kid, fourteen year olds are necessary to train up kids for future snack bar assistants and to have a strong, experienced staff next year.

Email votes were as follows:

- None in June.

President's Report – Margaret

- Parking lot arrows - need to stencil in driving direction arrows so there won't be any accidents
- Credit card balance payoff - Snack bar going gang busters but this limit does not allow Suzi to purchase all of the food and supplies necessary. She has needed to use her own credit card at times due to this. We need to either increase the limit or get an additional credit card. Suzi will try writing a check ahead of time for Sam's Club based on her online order and then only use the credit card for the tax. Need to make sure we are following the bylaws which limit the manager credit card to \$2,000. A BB&T credit card would allow her to pay off the balance online after each purchase to keep the balance down.
- Umbrellas and furniture for pool deck – We need more furniture to accommodate the volume of members coming to the pool. Board agreed to look into available funds for this. Tabled for more discussion once the

- treasurer, who was unable to attend this month's meeting, reports. May need to handle this by online vote.
- Recycling – Looking into getting pick up so we can put recycle bins beside each trash can. We need to also consider the storage issue and possibly getting a large container like the dumpster.
 - Gas grill – One of the grills is no longer functioning and needs to be replaced. Need to consider safety features as well as a commercial unit which will handle the volume of usage. Will need to vote online once Suzi researches the possible models.

Committee Reports:

Manager's Report - Suzi Pease

- Bathroom floor is slippery and the current mats need to be replaced. Presented samples for replacement mats. The price is based on the amount ordered so Suzi will get more samples and quotes from other businesses.
- Security cameras - \$2600 for 4 cameras which are durable, outdoor cameras, DVR, online access and 8 cameras are double that price. Rep would like to present to the board. We also need to get other bids if we plan to pursue it.
- Narh would like to address the board about his knee issues which are keeping him from being on the court for the amount needed to maintain his contracted fees. Discussion included getting a doctor's order to reduce his court time so we can renegotiate the rental fee portion of his contract, can we continue to have him as the second pro if he can only work limited hours, if we don't have the demand to support another full time pro why shouldn't we just reduce his hours/fees to accommodate him. Suzi needs to have Narh provide a doctor's note to reduce his hours to part-time status but this will affect his court assignment.
- Needs a way to address member concerns. Would rather deal with issues right away instead of waiting until the emotionality gets so high, the board needs to direct all concerns to Suzi and allow her to handle issues or bring them to the board if they are unhappy with her response.
- Issue with lockers – Had 2 incidents of a child being put in a locker and left there. This is a serious issue. Needs a letter out to the membership regarding speaking to all kids about not playing in or around lockers and that a 2 week suspension will occur if it happens again.

Vice President – Lisa Conrad

- Still working with surveyor to address drainage issues.

Treasurer – report submitted by Kevin Stewart

- Questions should be emailed to Kevin.

Tennis – Grace Carlson

- July 4th social is coming up. Will work with Jeanene on getting an Evite out.
- Down another tennis committee member. Needs to recruit some more members. Will be putting out a tennis info newsletter soon.
- Putting together info about the status of the clay courts to members since court one is closed while issues are being addressed to get it playable.
- Suzi is offering a tennis strengthening class. June 30th info meeting regarding this.
- Justin, on the tennis committee, would like to do a fundraiser selling club logo hats and t-shirts. This doesn't have to be a tennis fundraiser but agreed that this is a good idea for marketing, etc. These can be sold through the snack bar.
- There are a lot of non-members playing at the courts. This may be coming from USTA matches being played here. The board is up to have membership cards and/or guests passes displayed so the tennis assistants can monitor who is on the courts. This needs to be publicized and enforced. Grace and Suzi will meet to discuss this.

Tennis Court Renovations – Al Craft

- No report. Still trying to get a group to go to Ford's Colony to try out the Premiere surface. Will put info regarding status of this in the tennis edition of the newsletter.

GTA – Lindsay Reavis

- Tournament scheduled for Oct 17 has been postponed indefinitely due to changes in the Ghana Tennis Foundation. Narh has requested we postpone until further notice. This was already presented to the tennis committee. The tennis committee is looking into an alternative fundraising event for this date. The preliminary idea is the Boys and Girls Club or the American Cancer Society.
- Suzi talked to Narh today about getting the paperwork completed for last year's GTA. This still needs to be finalized.

Social Committee – Nancy Hansson

- First youth social last Friday. Had over 70 kids. This one was only for 6th graders and up but next one once school is out will include rising 6th graders. Complaints about the pool closing for this. Upcoming youth float night will close the pool an hour early for this.
- Wednesday night dinners are restarting next week. Prices will be based on age this year and will have wrist bands again.
- Having a 4th of July party. Looking into having an Olympic theme to involve more family participation. We need more volunteer involvement for social events. Suzi will suggest this to new members.

Membership – Mary Vance

- Membership is almost where we were last year at this time. 373 regular members, 70 annual. There are 45 new members and of those 4 transferred from annual to regular, one family reactivated, 18 are regular new members, and 22 are annual new members.

Swim Team – Bill Gill

- Biggest team ever with 345 swimmers. Time trials went smoothly. First meet this weekend at Alanton. The shed and the swim team room need to be organized to allow the swim team to have adequate room. May need to consider getting another shed but will try more shelves first.

Meeting adjourned.

Jeanene Wolfe, Secretary