

Olney Mill Swim Club BOD Meeting - January 2019

January 10, 2019 – Longwood Recreation Center

In attendance: Michelle West, Monika Gomez, Jennifer MacDonald, Doris O’Neill, Kevin Reese, Brodny Hall, Matt Stroot, Owen Graham, Jerry Moxley, Dominique D’Anna (A Team Rep), Kelly Weigand (B Team Rep)

DECEMBER 2018 MINUTES APPROVED

NEW BUSINESS

1. Annual Membership Letter

Board discussed proposed draft of Annual Letter to all members. Letters and invoices need to be completed and postmarked by 2/1.

After consideration of maintenance and operational costs as well as existing club funds, the board decided to raise 2019 dues by \$25.00 (\$12.50 for senior memberships). Dues had remained at the same level for the previous three seasons. Even with the increase, dues remain comparable to other pools in the area.

The guest pass policy was also discussed. There is concern that guest passes are being abused which leads to issues of fairness and lost revenue. However, the board acknowledged the value these passes bring to each household. The board noted that there is no standard in the by-laws that deal with the allocation or implementation of guest passes. It was decided to keep the current guest pass plan (2 per family membership and 1 per senior membership) for 2019 and re-evaluate after the season. However, anyone found to be misusing the passes risks losing them. The board will work to make sure the rules governing guest passes are clear and posted at the front desk and on the website.

CONTINUING BUSINESS

1. Tree Damage:

The quotes for tree damage from December were discussed as well as the insurance paperwork. Kevin obtained quotes for removal of the remaining trees on the west side of the property. It was agreed to have sixteen trees removed to avoid further damage to OMSC property. That work will happen in late January.

2. Steele Legal Update:

Mr. Steele’s lawyers have contacted us saying that he wishes to finish the work that is owed for pool repairs. The water leak that occurred over the summer (which has since been fixed) is most likely a result of his shoddy work. The board does not trust him to complete the work correctly and on-time for a late May opening. It was suggested to

move forward with a plan for restitution to recoup money lost. Monika will follow up with the lawyers and ask about establishing a payment plan.

3. Georgetown Aquatics Contract:

We have signed a contract with GT Aquatics to complete the white coat/tile/coping stone job that Mr. Steele did not complete. They have already started work and will complete the job in plenty of time before opening.

An inquiry was also made to GT by an insurance company representing the individual from the July 2018 diving board accident, but no other movement has occurred.

4. Treasury:

Brodny provided an updated budget which included estimated costs for much of the ongoing maintenance and operational issues. A vote was held and the board approved the budget for 2019.

A new credit card payment system was discussed. Dues will continue to be payable by Paypal but board members agreed to look into a system like Square for the upcoming year to process credit payments.

Brodny also took care of renewing the post office box and our loan re-certification.

5. Membership:

Invoices and letters must be sent together by February 1st

There were three more resignations. Currently there is nobody on the waiting list. We will need to advertise that memberships are available this winter.

6. Advertising:

Jerry worked on a proof of a vinyl banner to advertise the pool and available memberships. This sign would hang from trees at the entrance facing Briars Road. Four quotes were obtained and the board discussed the exact language for the sign. It was agreed to make the sign smaller (15' x 3') and Jerry will create more proofs before the final is sent out for production.

7. Social:

Board members continue to look into events and sponsorships. Future items to be addressed include a new grill, new bulletin board and getting the donated ice machine hooked up and running.

8. Swim Team:

Coach Ellen will be coming back to assist Coach Eric in 2019. Cassels in Rockville has closed so parents will most likely have to order suits and other equipment online. It was suggested that practice hours remain the same this coming year.

MCSL meetings start in February and the reps are planning a parent meeting to help sell in-stock inventory. The reps will provide a balance sheet to Treasury soon.

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