

**West Broadway Swim Club  
Meeting Minutes  
August 21, 2017, 7pm (held at the pool)**

**Board Members Present:** Mindy Cherrington, Rodney Massman, Dan Niles, Kevin O'Brien, Julie Schisler, David Heath, Misty Haskamp, Bryan Ross, Karen Klein. Nick Witthaus, webmaster, also attended

**Pool Members Present:** Keith and Sue Lindaman, Hap Hallstead, Tanya Heath, Lifeguard Erin Emetzger-Seymour

**Not In Attendance:** Anne Sievers

**Reports:**

Mindy (President)

- Asked non-board pool members in attendance what their concerns were—the Lindamans said they had been members since 1990 and wanted to support the pool—they suggested scheduling and promoting member workdays at the pool (in the past attendance was not good) and suggested treework needs in the future be addressed and offered to help with that and offered a friend's help as well. Also discussed was pool water quality—this is addressed in Kevin O'Brien's report below.
- Hap Hallstead asked about training employees and suggested training and limiting a few employees to the poolhouse who would have the expertise to deal with chemicals and such issues; suggested it is helpful to retain a pool manager year to year so the knowledge doesn't leave. There was open discussion on parties at the pool and how they compare to other pools; black-eyed susans as landscaping in the front of the pool; and general discussion of water leaks and how some of the pipes were built in 1964 so they are simply aging out.
- Mindy brought forth a complaint from a pool member on various issues in keeping pool water clear at all times---it was noted due to difficulties this year in maintaining a clear water appearance due to various weather and other issues; also some complaints about nature of swim lessons and how they are conducted; the group as a whole discussed the possibility of painting some areas in the fall.
- Tanya Heath, pool member, discussed member complaints she had heard of in relation to Synergy children's presence at the pool and their level of supervision; also heard complaints of ice pop distribution on selection of color as to children not telling the truth about whether they won or not; and complaints about bathrooms and possible presence of mold.
- It was noted that furniture, etc from outdoors will be addressed and put away after labor day.
- Current memberships are 330 family and 377 total

Rodney (Secretary)

- Next Board Meeting will be on September 18 and will move back to Hy-Vee West

Bryan (Payroll)

- Check stubs need to be given to the Guards
- There was interest in early lap swims at the pool revealed by a survey of members, but it is too late to implement this year-will look at for next year
- Discussed survey of members (with Misty's assistance) about asking what people like about the pool this year or have complaints about, and other questions, and will be sent out after the season is over

Misty (Grounds)

- Will delay planting on slope til fall until paperwork is done and general reseeding should be done in the fall for best results
- Will follow up with lawncare company to check status and timeliness of their appearances
- Overhead lights were installed in 1994 and the problem of burnt out lights on them will eventually need to be addressed

Dan (website)

- Will shut off internet access to pool on Sept 5

Nick (Webmaster)

- Discussed possibility of providing emergency text messages for pool updates to all members-will cost about \$3.00 or about .007 cents per message-each member family would be allowed two numbers to contact, must also rent a phone for \$1.00 per month. It was decided to pass at present and Nick will work on this for next year.
- Discussed possibility of using phones for guest passes or membership cards—would require a new scanner at cost of about \$45-it was noted the current printer does not work well and this idea would be put into production for next spring

David (Treasurer)

- Financial report shows net income so far this year of \$55,182.25.
- Noted some things are paid year round, the latest leak will cost approx. 3-4,000, discussed possibility of refinancing before the rates go up, this is a payment every month and recurring debt

Karen Klein (swim team and concessions)

- So far this year-\$13,000 total sales in concessions of which \$4300 is Broadway bucks redemptions
- Will stop restocking concessions now so inventory will be used up at end of year
- Some concession items tracking is not perfect as guards put in odd entries in the system from time to time which miscalculates the tracking system

Kevin O'Brien(physical plant)

- Chemicals are difficult to manage when guards turn the pump off
- Many issues of murkiness this year were due to crowds and hot temps
- Increased membership results in more difficulty in keeping pool clean
- Murkiness has always been a problem even in years past
- The process of adding chemicals is not a simple one and requires time management and hourly adjustments
- Having pool board members overly involved in chemicals as a strategy is not a good idea
- As for as DNR, we are currently in compliance and our record keeping is up to date, we currently have a permit
- Before we discharge pool water after labor day we will do the required tests to make sure water is compliant for discharge and will neutralize before its emptied and only when chlorine level is zero.

**Meeting adjourned 845 pm.**