

Aquatics Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes 06/04/2024

Meeting called to order at 10:30 AM by Gary Miller, Committee Chair

Present: Maria Lawrence, Vivian Koroknay, Gary Miller, Nancy Radke, Tracy Reddell (via Microsoft Teams), Stuart Lakernick, Board Liaison

Public Attendees via Zoom – None

I. Motion to approve the agenda; Agenda accepted

II. Gary reviewed three proposals that the committee would like to again submit to the Board for consideration for the summer 2024 season:

1. Evening water aerobics class in the Mumford Pool
2. Sunsets and Cocktails event at the YC pool
3. Remove equipment currently stored on the deck of the Sports Core Pool

III. Evening water aerobics class

- Stuart reported that financials for the Aquatics Department are much improved and showing approximately >\$1,000 YTD under budget. He believes this is in large part due to the Couples Memberships
- Committee discussed the proposal to have the Total Body Fitness Aquatics class offered after closing at the Mumford Pool with the expectation that the number of people who would sign up for the class would pay for the additional required hour for a lifeguard to be present.
- All agreed to rework the wording to streamline and submit to Board for further consideration for the Summer 2024 season. Need to submit ASAP

IV. Remove pool equipment that is stored on the deck of the Sports Core Pool

- Stored equipment around the pool continues to be a concern: May pose safety issues and is unsightly
- Previous proposal to Board was not acted upon and may need further clarity
- Suggest indicating that equipment be moved off the deck to a storage area that is easily accessible to pool area for staff to retrieve as needed
- Whether this is an enclosed addition to the pool deck area (using one of the concrete additions on the side of the pool) or a shed is up to the Board to determine

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V. Sunsets and Cocktail event

- The event would be open to all but more adult themed to attract couples, singles, retirees. Families are welcomed but will have a different ambiance than the Wednesday family fun nights
- MOC could offer interesting hors d'oeuvres and cocktails (to appeal to an adult crowd)
- Stuart stated that the YC is drawing big crowds for weekend events and this event may be well received
- Committee suggested to plan and implement a one time event and if successful can repeat throughout the summer
- Would not be on a Wednesday so the family fun night would remain in place

VI. Submit Proposal to Board within the coming week so implementation can occur this summer

- Committee in agreement to re-submit proposals to the Board
- Gary requests that all committee members review the current proposal as written, make comments to improve presentation and verbiage and submit to Gary ASAP
- Nancy suggested that the committee adopt a set format for each proposal that includes:
 - Proposal
 - Description
 - Goals
 - Implementation Date
- Committee suggests that each proposal be presented separately on its own page
- Upon later discussion, committee decided to only submit the evening aquatics class and Sunsets and Cocktails event at this time. Proposal to remove equipment from Sports Core pool deck will be submitted in August-September to be implemented after outdoor pools close.
- Committee agreed that work on proposals for the 2025 budget year would be started in early fall to ensure proposals are submitted in time for budget consideration.

VII. Discussion regarding PAL (Police Athletic League) Chapter at Ocean Pines

- Stuart asked committee to consider if this committee would be interested in starting a PAL program at OP
- Stuart noted that after discussion with Tim Robinson, Chief OPPD that there was interest in bringing such a program to OP
- Maria discussed the positive outcomes of PAL programs in general
- Vivian suggested that this would more likely be a program that should involve multiple committees such as Parks and Rec.
- Committee agreed that this would take substantial planning and discussion with multiple people at OP but would consider finding out more information

Next Aquatics Committee meeting is July 8, 2024 at 10:30 AM

Respectfully Submitted,
 Vivian Koroknay
 Secretary, Aquatics Committee