

Fort Washington Pool Association (FWPA) General Meeting, 10 April, 2010

1. The FWPA president convened a general meeting at the pool on 10 April 2010. Its purpose was to inform the general membership of tasks necessary for pool opening on 29 May 2010. Eric Griffin, the president, called the meeting to order at 09:15 am.

2. Attendance:

a. Board Members present: Eric Griffin, Fred Downs, John Dullahan, Ray Rice, John Szymanski, John Balazek, Brian King, and Bonnie Medford (Operations/Pool manager). Also present were Tim Leighton, Tom Murray, Clarence Korendyke, Mel Krueer, Mary Downs, John French, Dave Freeman, Mary Ann Henderson, and Jeff Koteff

b. Board Members absent: Jack Dennis.

3. Ray Rice said the pool currently had 135 active memberships, but stressed the need for an advertising campaign to attract new members.

4. Eric Griffin said a \$25 bounty for recruiting new members might be a worthwhile incentive. Eric also reminded members who perform work to log in so that they would earn ten hours necessary for the \$75 rebate in membership dues.

5. Officer reports:

a. Swim Team: Bonnie Medford provided an update on swim team planning for the coming season. Finances will be administered by a subcommittee under facilities, and Bonnie will be the chairperson. Swim team fees will remain unchanged for 2010, and a major emphasis will be to recruit new members. Evening practice will take place on Monday and Wednesday evenings from 7:30 to 8:30 pm, using only two lanes to minimize disruption of normal pool activities by the general membership.

b. Operations: Ray Rice said he turned the water on, and on Friday, April 16, he plans to meet with volunteers to remove the pool cover, after which he and Tim Leighton will drain the pool, enabling volunteers to scrub the floor and walls on Saturday, April 17. Ray also said the electrical panel in the snack bar needs to be replaced, and that he would obtain estimates for a new one. Ray also provided estimates for capital improvements: \$8,000 to resurface the parking lot; \$11,000 to patch the tennis courts, and \$10,000 to resurface the baby pool deck. Ray said an influx of new members would generate at least some of the funds needed for the above improvements.

c. Facilities: Bonnie Medford said the pool had two more years of waivers for the freezer before a commercial model will be required.

6. Old business:

a. Eric Griffin said the board now had nine members, whom he introduced to the general membership.

b. Bonnie Medford said she was updating the bylaws and would forward the draft to the board for approval. Bonnie also asked if the arrangements of Monday, Wednesday, and Friday mornings for the senior swim were still satisfactory. Several individuals expressed satisfaction with this schedule.

c. Mary Ann Henderson said over the many years she and husband Marty had been pool members, they had seen hundreds of people come and go, but Fred Downs, through his unselfish dedication as FWPA president and grounds keeper, has been an inspiration for all. Mary Ann expressed her gratitude, as well as that of pool members, for Fred's highly-effective leadership and dedication over these many years.

7. Brian King proposed the meeting be adjourned; John Szymanski seconded the proposal, which was unanimously approved.

John Dullahan
FWPA Secretary