

Middlesex Club Board Minutes – September 19, 2018

Directors attending (15): Ben Adams; Lisa Cruikshank; Justin Byczek; Sean McCarthy; Julie Sweeney; Carol Kennedy; Rosemary Jordan; Gerrit Veeder; Dana Dolcetti; Alison Feeley; Betsy Roberts; Jenn Hite; Jenny Moles; Courtney Darby; Alison Firgeleski

Directors Not Attending (0):

General Counsel: Mike Burke in attendance

Management: Tad Keating in attendance

Minutes

Approved the August 28, 2018 minutes

President Notes:

- By-Laws committee update will now be comprised of a 3 person committee Ben Adams, Dana Dolcetti and Jane Yezzi and will address one topic at a time, focusing first on Nominating Committee
- Nominating Committee is working on the 2019 slate and target date is to have it for Dec 1st
- Board is to come prepared at next meeting to finalize discussion of Board recognition items

Treasurer's Report:

- P & L Report was shared with Board – final numbers for the FY will be available at October meeting

Manager's Report:

- Very pleased with the successful summer and feedback
- DHS used the pool 13 times and are charged \$300 each time which still needs to be collected
- Tennis courts open until the 3rd week of October

Committee Reports:

House and Grounds:

- Swings were installed end of summer and were a big hit and mulch area was completed and looks great

- Met with Laura in Snack Bar and let her know club was happy with the summer food service and would like her to continue next summer. She will make decision by mid October and relayed positive feedback regarding club members and how they treated her staff.
 - Hoping to add an app or a tablet next summer for ordering to expedite the ordering process
- Moved the grill from tennis over to the Clubhouse for people to use during Oktoberfest and for the Fall and Winter paddle events

Communications:

- Surveys are all out just waiting on results to come in, with a final due date end of September
- Phase 2 of website is happening now which will include pictures –welcome any feedback or suggestions on website

Membership:

- 15 families resigned for October 1 and 15 families accepted for October 1 membership
- Waitlist is only 35, with 4 applications in waiting for a total of 39
 - Looking for feedback on the trifold and would like to finalize where to distribute it and how we want to use it
 - Member/Guest grill night was a success and want to start thinking about what to do in the off season to promote new members bringing a guest

Tennis:

- Tennis is wrapping up and people are still playing - would like to allow people to wear color after Labor Day since club is quiet
- Tennis Committee meeting next week to follow up on the summer season and see what changes and improvements can be made for next summer
- End of year social and Ladies team dinner was a success as well as all the Men's events doubles and winners circle
- Discussed with Jim the idea of coming back next summer and will discuss results from the survey when they are all in
- Most of the feedback from surveys is for the juniors and if parents prefer the junior tennis to be more fun vs competitive. Looking at re-working Juniors with this option

Swim:

- Working on off season swim details; things are quiet until January

Camp:

- Looking for someone to take over for Camp next year. Nominating Committee is already in the process of looking for someone for the slate.

Paddle:

- September 30th is Oktoberfest with 41 rsvps so far.
- Claire is signed on again for another 3 year contract with a 2 year optional extension
- Paddle is running smoothly and camps are filling up - members have first option then Claire offers to non-members
- Five reservations for paddle parties for the Fall - looking into charging an additional cleaning fee for clubhouse rental since it has been left messy in the past and Tad has come in and cleaned it
- Figuring out master calendar and will send to Tad so he knows when it is rented and when available for charity events
- 100 men signed up for men's team fee, and a lot of women signed up for paddle
- Still looking for women's paddle chair replacement for next year

Social:

- Great summer many successful events especially the adult game night
- Planning a Fall kids movie night and renting a screen from the library, with a tailgate the following afternoon
- Will continue with kids gingerbread house party in December - was a success last year
- Adult holiday party will be back at the club this year based on last year's feedback – targeting December 1

Next meeting: October 23, 2018