

## **Middlesex Club Board Minutes – November 13, 2019**

Directors attending (12): Sean McCarthy; Lisa Cruikshank; Jay Baum; Justin Byczek; Katie Briggs; Rob Steeves, Carol Kennedy; Kim Adams; Rosemary Jordan; Courtney Darby; Alison Firgeleski; Jenny Moles

Directors Not Attending (3) Ben Adams; Dana Dolcetti; Gerrit Veeder;

General Counsel: Mike Burke not in attendance

Management: Tad Keating in attendance

Minutes: Approved the October 7, 2019 minutes

### **Presidents Notes:**

- Nominating Committee 8 people on the list- meeting 12/2 or 12/3 and will bring candidate's names to the 12/9 meeting.

### **Manager's Report:**

- Sean asked for pricing to cut trees around paddle \$1700 to clean up for now and \$5000 to cut down 2 trees in the future and getting additional quotes.
- Had an electrician to check pipes- pipes need to be insulated around clubhouse which is \$3000 for 7-10 years in process of doing it now to keep pipes from freezing during a deep freeze.
- End of pool season, losing a lot of water- got a quote to fix skimmer which is leaking. Need to dig up deck and fix cost is \$2000 to do in the Spring.
- Ordered another paddle net to keep on hand if one breaks.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

- Working on closing books
- Accountant they had last year thought they did a lot more work than past 2 years
- Got quotes from various accounts to compare and they will continue to stay on with a letter of intent that they can not change and ask for more money
- Looking towards next season and need vendor forms filled out and contracts that are still out there need to be completed.

### **Committee Reports:**

#### **House and Grounds**

- Discussed a lot of project work last year but looking at what major projects are needed for Summer 2020.
- Tennis will get another quote for hitting/pickle ball wall and will come back next month with a proposal.

- Justin spoke to furniture company in Florida and was sent fabric samples for new sling recliner chairs, umbrellas, and tables.
- Chairs are \$200 a piece- looking into discount for buying in bulk- need about 25 snack bar tables and 110 lounge chairs- may have to complete all new furniture over 2 years
- Also pricing out small cocktail tables
- Recommended setting a budget for this summer and have that approved so we have a starting point- come up with a plan then ask to price it out over 2 year plan if we can't afford to do it in one summer.
- Discussed bathroom quote for clubhouse and looking into getting other quotes so we can do that in early Spring.

### **Communications**

- No significant items to discuss currently in the process of reviewing all tech platforms and will have more context for Dec meeting.

### **Membership**

- We will begin offers for January 1 next week, once the Nov 15<sup>th</sup> resignations are complete.
- We have 3 resignations thus far
- The current waitlist is 42, with no applications in the wait period.

### **Tennis**

- The tennis committee met, reviewed the survey and provided suggestions for 2020 season.
- It was noted that the blocking screens around court 4 are ripped and need to be replaced.
- The tennis committee recommended that the board consider increasing August membership and perhaps include a “club minimum” to support club programs in August.

### **Swim**

- Great news Bea Repking will be coming on board as our third swim chair. We are excited to have Bea join our team. She has 3 kids who are heavily invested in the program and we know she will do a terrific job in this role.
- Will be sending out the 2020 aquatics schedules (meets/matches) to the membership in the next week.
- We are working on planning out the full calendar of events for the 2020 season and updating TeamUnify so we will be ahead of the game in the Spring.

### **Camp**

- Maureen Brisbane has agreed to help with the 2020 Camp Season.
- Katie will be meeting with Sarah and Jessica after the holidays to start planning for next summer.

## **Paddle**

- Men's Member Guest was this past weekend- 32 teams with 3 on the waitlist that couldn't get in. Great event and well run by Jack Dearle and Fritz Schweitzer.
- Ladies Member/Member is this Saturday.
- Junior Clinic turnout was greater than expected so we added an additional court for the younger group from 2-3 on Sundays.
- Men's Saturday clinics with Claire and Gafur are filled every Saturday.
- Court time is an extreme premium and Jay has been fielding complaints.

## **Social**

- Adult Holiday Party- invite going out tomorrow December 7 7-10pm cocktails and apps
- Kids Holiday Party- cookie decorating with bagels and hot chocolate Sunday, December 15 9-10 and 10:15-11:15.
- Planning for both are going well and look forward to 2 successful events.

## **General Information:**

- Executive Session from 8:30-8:45

**Next Meeting:** Monday, December 9, 2019