

*Mission Statement: The purpose of the Bitterroot Aquatic Center is to provide the community with a high quality year-round aquatic center that is affordable, accessible and provides excellent opportunities for recreation, fitness, competition, water safety and education.*

Monday, April 16, 2018

Bitterroot Aquatic Center Commons Area 6:30 p.m.

Meeting called to order: 6:30 p.m.

Members present: President: Deidra Markette, Rodney Pogachar, Karla Albert, Paul Belanger, Sam Blough (assistant manager) after 7 p.m., Katie Wilson (BAC Swim Instructor). Lyndi Henson (minutes).

Member absent: Tiffany Jette, Loretta Bundy, Vicky Mahon, Fern Schreckendgust (manager),

Guests: Steve Bergeron, Stephanie Knapp and Alice Christenson.

Open comments: None

Review of March minutes: Karla pointed out that her name is misspelled and also Katie's last name is "Wilson" not Lewis. Paul also asked that paragraph under board comments reflect others ideas, not just his. Rodney made a motion to approve the March 2018 minutes as amended, Karla seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Ballard King Update: No update at this time

Bitterroot Swim Team 2018 Contract: signed and delivered. The BST is planning on keeping the hours the same as the contract reads at this time.

Open Board Position: Currently there is an opening on the Bitterroot Aquatic Center board. Tiffany Jette is no longer on the board as she has missed 3 meetings and it is stated in the BAC bylaws that any board member missing 3 meetings will lose their seat on the board. Steve Bergeron is interested in filling that position. Deidra is very confident that Mr. Bergeron is more than qualified to be on the board and Paul asked Mr. Bergeron what his background is and qualifications are as well. Mr. Bergeron reported that he has years of experience on swim teams, high school coaching, a core man in the military. He lives in the Corvallis area and is currently a substitute teacher in both Corvallis and Hamilton.

The question of whether or not this opened position was published, and the answer is yes, that the county reports what positions are open. It was decided by the board members present to table this until more board members are present at the May 14<sup>th</sup> board meeting.

Possible New Swim Program: The board was hoping to make a decision about the new program that Sam Blough and Katie Wilson presented at the March board meeting. Katie has been in contact with the program head person and feels that they could have a conference call and answer any of the board's questions. Paul thinks it is a great program but feels the board needs to be focused on getting the bond proposal to the public. Deidra is concerned with the timing of the June training and would like to see a

list of families that have “pre” signed up for the course due to the cost of the training. Karla is concerned with Katie not being at the pool to be an instructor during the peak time of swim lessons.

After much discussion between board members and Katie, it was decided to wait and look at the September training offering to send Katie to.

Managers’ Report: Fern was not present to give her managers’ report. Fern’s father had passed away over the weekend. Fern has supplied some printouts to the board showing usage numbers and the summer schedule for the aquatic center.

Stephanie Knapp was present to let the board know that there may be more adults needing time to do lap swims as it appears the Canyons will not be offering times and lanes for this groups of swimmers.

Board Comments: Paul passed out some pool planning documents. He received the enclosed summary of what others would like to see with the facility. Deidra will make sure the document gets added to the appropriate place.

Paul also asked if the public comment could be placed at the end of the agenda. Paul feels that when guests are in attendance, they may have questions after the meeting is done on topics that have been discussed. Rodney agreed that this may be a good idea to have them at the beginning and again at the end.

Paul will have some information for the board on how term limits would work if implemented in the bylaws and it will be an agenda item for the May board meeting.

Paul asked the board if it would be a good idea to invite people who have interest in the new facility upgrade to any future meetings. He feels they could and would have valuable input and include a wider network etc.

Karla stated that she feels the time line with the facility addition is behind schedule and feels that it will come back on schedule once the board hears from Ballard King. She feels that there needs to be work done on the message points and Rodney agrees.

The board plans on discussing the time line and talking points at the next board meeting in May.

Meeting Adjourned: Karla moved to adjourn the meeting, Rodney seconded the motion. Meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Next Meeting: May 14, 2018 in the commons of the BAC

Respectfully submitted: Lyndi Henson