

MINUTES
Board of Directors
Duke Faculty Club
June 12, 2007

Attending: George Dorfman, Secretary; George Dubay, Past-president; Mary Grigg; Tom Hadzor; Marianne Hassan, Treasurer; Melissa Mills; Phil Singer, President
Absent: Tom Metzloff; James Banks

The meeting was called to order at 5:30pm. The minutes from the May meeting were accepted.

Search Committee Update

Tom Hadzor and George Dorfman updated the board on the progress of the Director search. Over 120 applications had been received, and the search committee had narrowed the field to a top 9, all of whom would be interviewed by phone before bringing anyone on-site to interview. Overall, they were pleased with the progress, and were cautiously optimistic that we would be able to extend and offer in early July.

Membership Update

Mark King reported that we had achieved our minimum target of 750 memberships, which pleased everyone. Among those were 13 or 14 alumni members. The board agreed that getting to 800 or 850 would be ideal. Marianne reminded us that the funds from membership are put into a “layover” account, until July 1. There was general discussion about upcoming initiatives to target new members, in particular House Staff.

General Club update from Mark King

Mark reported on various club business.

-The new website was set to go live any day, but we’d wait to announce it until the next newsletter. All agreed that almost anything would be an improvement to the current website. The new website would allow updates in-house. Melissa offered her services to help with updates.

-The swim team numbers were in the 80s

-Swim lessons were slightly lower

-Camp reported a slight change in demographics, as the camper this summer were generally younger

-The men’s locker room had been cleaned, and was deemed to be ‘ok.’

-The women’s locker room stall door had been repaired (but it took a few days because the hardware that came with the original door was no longer available). But, the mildew smell was persistent. It was suggested that we secure a late day cleaner to come in and make sure the club remained in good shape later in the day.

Tennis Policy

After a lengthy discussion, the board agreed upon the following tennis policy, which was unanimously approved, and would be shared with the tennis committee.

DFC Policy on Non-member Participation on DFC Tennis Teams

A DFC tennis team is a team that uses Duke Faculty Club in its name or uses the DFC courts as its home court.

Non-members who are eligible to join the DFC are not eligible to participate on a DFC Tennis Team unless they are on a waitlist to join DFC.

Non-members who are not eligible to join DFC may join DFC Tennis Teams after interested club members have been accommodated. The DFC tennis professional will determine when a DFC Team may offer positions to non-members.

There will be a registration fee for each non-member per league season. The registration fee will be determined by the DFC Board of Governors. The registration fee will initially be \$25.00. Regular DFC guest fees will apply to team practices at DFC and to clinics at DFC.

Staff Recognition

The board discussed ways to recognize the staff for the extra effort all have put forth without a Director. It was agreed that they should be rewarded for their body of work over this time. Various ideas were discussed, including bonuses and gift certificates, but the decision was deferred until the next meeting.

The next meeting was set for the second Tuesday in July, which is July 10.

June 29

On June 29, the DFC Board held a special session to discuss the status of the new director. After hearing from the search committee, the board met in a private session and unanimously approved the nomination of Meg Pomerantz as Director of the Duke Faculty Club. Phil Singer, President of the DFC, would contact Meg that night, and make an offer for the position.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

George Dorfman, Secretary

