

MINUTES
Board of Directors
Duke Faculty Club
January 8, 2008

Attending: George Dubay, Past-president; Tom Metzloff, Vice-President; Tom Hadzor; Mary Grigg, Marianne Hassan, and Melissa Mills

Also Attending: Meg Pomerantz, Director; Eamonn Lanigan, Assistant Director

Absent: Phil Singer, George Dorfman, James Banks

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm. The minutes from the November and December meetings were accepted.

Director's Report

Director Meg Pomerantz introduced the new Assistant Director Eamonn Lanigan.

The Director mentioned some concerns having been expressed by members about the new rules about the Fitness Center. The first part of the recommendation approved in December was to install a lock to provide better security in the facility and to discourage use by non-members. The second aspect of the recommendation is to provide users some information about the Fitness Center in terms of items about proper use (such as cleaning the machines, etc.). The Director will prepare a draft as to the information to be provided. Members will be able to obtain the form and sign it to show that they understand the rules for use. The Club will also provide an orientation about proper use of the fitness machines should a member request.

The Director asked about whether the Club should rent lockers to members. The Board noted that this issue had come up in the past, and prior Boards had decided not to permit rental. There are concerns with dirty clothes or wet swimwear kept for too long in the lockers. As a result, we will not permit lockers to be permanently rented nor kept locked overnight.

Budget Issues:

The Director presented a Proposed DFC Budget for 2008-2009. Income projections were based on a total of 750 members with annual dues of \$775 (although the Board has not yet set the dues). The Board discussed that it would be appropriate to use 780 members for the projected budget. Currently membership is 814. In typical year, about 50 members do not rejoin (because of retirement, moving out of town, etc.). We usually replace those with new members, but prudent fiscal planning suggests that we use cautious assumptions.

Income projections discussed. Some individuals indicated a preference for increasing the dues more than 3% in order to accomplish some specific goals.

There was discussion of what to do with the D Tennis Courts. Currently, there is a major crack on the far court that makes that court unplayable. It is estimated that it would cost \$50,000 to repair it. The Board thought various options (turning it into a single court, other uses, etc.) should be considered as part of long-range planning.

It was noted that the Annual Meeting will be held on January 29, 2008 at 5:30 p.m..

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Metzloff, Vice-President