Duke Faculty Club Annual Membership Meeting  
Location: Duke Faculty Club  
Wednesday, February 14, 2018

Board Members Present: John Taylor, Leighton Roper, Cathy Lavin, George Dubay, Debbie Taylor, Ian Niedel, Christine Barboriak, and Eamonn Lanigan.

John Taylor called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

John began by thanking Board, Staff and Committee members for their work the past year.

Using the 2017/18 Membership Year Annual Report as a guide, John discussed our current level of 950 memberships and almost 300 combined on our waitlists for Employees and Alumni. John praised Eamonn and the DFC staff for doing a great job of controlling expenses and providing good service. Camps are near capacity and Swim Team continues to grow. Recreation and social programs continue to grow. He also announced that the Board approved an increase in membership fees of 1.5% for the year, or $15 for family memberships and $10 for individual memberships. John also introduced the topic of planned facility improvements and construction and introduced the Treasurer, Ian Niedel, to elaborate.

Ian presented the FY 18 and draft FY 19 budgets. We will be moving $350,000 out of our capital reserves for renovations and an additional structure that was part of our original plans. We will be adding lights to and renovating tennis courts 7 and 8 and will repair the basketball courts to the cost of $175,000. We are consulting with landscaping companies to build a three-season Pavilion in a location that will be determined by how it integrates with the rest of the campus. This is also budgeted for a cost of $175,000. Plans for the Pavilion will be shared with the membership as they develop.

A member requested more be done to improve the drainage of the clay courts. Discussion ensued with the idea that most of our courts are still relatively young and need more time to become properly seasoned i.e., packed. Older courts, on the other hand, tend do a better job of draining.

We will be planting more trees for shade and beauty and continue to update facilities such as building new ramps into the LeBar Building.

Blue Dean, Chair of the Diversity and Inclusion committee was introduced and offered several remarks regarding the many activities of this new committee in just 6 months, and plans for the remainder of the year.

John commented that the Nominating Committee, in compliance with paragraph 6.2 of the Bylaws, had put out a call for nominees for the next Board of Governors, which closed the previous Sunday. The Committee prepared a slate which was presented to the full Board during the February 2018 meeting of the Board, and the slate was unanimously approved. Having completed that mission, John has requested that the Nominating Committee change into the Elections Supervisory Committee with Leighton Roper as Chair. The Elections will be held from March 16-25, 2018.

The annual meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Christine Barboriak, Secretary