Duke Faculty Club Board of Governors Meeting  
Location: Duke Faculty Club  
Wednesday, January 16, 2019  

Board Members Present: Eamonn Lanigan, Debbie Taylor, Nancy Bartolome, George Dubay, David McNeil, Blue Dean, Christine Barboriak, Ian Niedel, and John Taylor.

George Dubay called the meeting to order at 12:32 p.m. It was determined that a quorum was present and business could be conducted.

Board Minutes  
Copies of the December Board meeting minutes were distributed. A motion was made to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Board Committees  
Ian Niedel reported the Facilities Committee had received three designs for the Knoll project and after two revisions we are still not there. Romeo Guest has suggested we delay work on the Knoll until the Fall so that they can work on both the Knoll and the Basketball and Tennis courts at the same time with greater access to the work sites. This delay would save us about $30-50,000 in cost so we are going to wait, especially considering we were already bumping into timing delays for permitting from Durham for the project.

Blue Dean shared that the draft communication the Diversity and Inclusion Committee came up with to share with members regarding specific recommendations from the survey. The Board asked for a fleshing out of short-term goals and approved allowing the DIC to move forward with distributing the communication to members once the changes have been approved.

John Taylor reported that the Nominating Committee would need four people total. Nancy, Blue, and David volunteered to serve. We will need to find candidates for two officer and two at-large seats. The plan is to send an email to members next week asking for self-nominations with a due date of around February 10th. This should give us time for a March election.

Lap Pool  
George shared with the Board communication from some members regarding expanding the lap pool season. Eamonn will follow-up and meet with the members along with George regarding their specific requests. There are limitations due to the size of our pool boiler and the pump house that might affect the feasibility of lengthening the duration.

Financial Report  
Ian reported that the year to date budget looks good and Eamonn is being a good steward. The FY20 budget is offering us a chance to offer members a new benefit. Currently, we do not allow credit card payments for anything but annual and initiation fees. We are looking at allowing members to use credit cards in the office in person. This could cost the DFC an increase of $15,000 but members have been very interested in this benefit for some time. We propose to try it for a year and see how it goes. The Facilities Assessment was reduced to $100 from $150 per membership for the year.

We will be tweaking the Tennis program since our revenues are down there. In Personnel, we will be reconfiguring some responsibilities and shifting some admin payroll there. We added $50,000 to the capital reserve because our improvements will be costing more than we had budgeted. Finally, it was proposed we increase membership dues by 1.3%.

A motion to approve the FY20 budget was made, seconded, and approved.

Executive Session began at 1:41 p.m. The meeting adjourned at 1:46 p.m.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, February 13, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. The annual membership meeting will follow immediately after at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Christine Barboriak, Secretary