November 7, 2022, BAC Board Minutes

*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.*

1. Meeting open at 5:30

Commissioners present: Jeff Wolf, Marilyn Wildey, Karen Savory, Sara Morin and Ryal Weber.

Commissioners absent: Amy Reed and Ron Frost.

Guest:

Amy Fox from the BAC foundation

      Read Mission Statement

1. Housekeeping

Review, amend as needed and adopt October minutes. Sara made a motion to approve the October minutes as amended, Ryal 2nd the motion, all voted in favor. Motion passed.

1. BST 2023 Contract: The BAC has signed the 2023 contract with the Bitterroot Swim Team and the Bitterroot Swim Team is in agreement with the contract and will sign as well.
2. 3rd Quarter Financials: Fern and Sherry, the CPA the BAC uses, met and went over the financials for the BAC and Fern presented the reports. After some discussion and explanation, Ryal made a motion to approve the 3rd quarter financials, Sara seconded the motion, all voted in favor. Motion passed. The commissioners discussed raising rates for the 2023 fiscal year as the price of everything is going up to run the aquatic center. Fern will plan on doing this on or before March 1 2023.
3. Managers’ Report: Kayak practice time is being held at the BAC on Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. It is well attended, and the kayaks are inspected and are very clean before they are put into the warm pool. CPR classes will start on the 13th of November, there will be 5 attendees. A babysitting CPR class is in the works as well. Fern asked the commissioners about being closed on Thanksgiving Day, as well as the 24th and 25th of December, the commissioners are in agreement with the dates of closure.
4. Maintenance Report: Bryon has asked Johnson Controls to give a quote on a damper for the center, the BAC’s insurance provider came down and inspected the boiler and all is fine with the boiler. Bryon has found new gaskets in Missoula for the circulation pump union gaskets which had deteriorated. Bryon has replaced a flow meter incasement, dealt with Century Link in regard to the BAC’s internet issues. Bryon continues with fall cleanup, normal maintenance of the BAC.
5. Strategic planning discussion with BAC Foundation: The BAC foundation board members joined the meeting and the discussion turned into what the two groups could do to promote the pool and fund-raising ideas to upgrade the pool and grounds. Fern would like to see the BAC go to the ultraviolet treatment system and get away from so much chorine in the water. Building additional family changing rooms would be a great place to start as well. A ramp in the outdoor pool would be very useful for people to be able to enter more gradually and safely for their abilities. The foundation is working on providing playground equipment for Spring of 2023.

The two groups were very pleased to have the time to talk together, problem solve and also learn additional ways to get the message out to the community about the needs for the BAC.

Fern will work on getting numbers together as to how many people she does turn away due to classes being full and not the room to offer more classes for the families. She will also work on getting quotes of how much the uv system and ramp might cost.

1. The BAC commissioners will meet in December and plan on having the evaluations for Bryon and Fern at that meeting. The January meeting will be canceled, and the budget will be review in February after all the numbers are in and the accountant has time to review with Fern. The commissioners agreed to have the meeting start at 5:30 p.m. in the future.

ADJOURN

Karen moved to adjourn at 7:30, Ryal seconded, all approved.

Next Meeting:  Monday, December 12, 2022 at 5:30 PM