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## BLSC BOARD MEETING: MAY 18, 2024

### *THE INTENTION FOR THE BLACKLAKE SWIM CLUB BOARD MEETINGS:*

*TO PROVIDE A STRUCTURE FOR THE EFFECTIVE MANAGEMENT OF ALL SWIM CLUB OPERATIONS, TO IDENTIFY AND IMPLEMENT CURRENT NEEDS, AND INSURE LONG TERM VIABILITY AND OPERATIONAL EXCELLENCE.*

## MEETING MINUTES

- **CALL TO ORDER** - 10:30 AM, STEVE HERRERA, PRESIDENT
- **ESTABLISHED QUORUM:** STEVE HERRERA, GAYLE TURNER, MARTHA PIGNONE, SAMANTHA NAGLER, LINDA GRAHAM
- **ABSENT:** BECCA KELLENBERGER (WEBSITE)
- **TOURNEY HILL LIAISON:** DAVE STOUT WAS UNABLE TO ATTEND TODAY'S MEETING. HE WILL BE SENT THE BUDGET & MINUTES.
- **MEMBERS:** 8 PRESENT FROM THE GENERAL MEMBERSHIP

### PRESIDENT'S REPORT –

- **Minutes – MOTION:** Approve minutes of the March 23, 2024 Board meeting as drafted (Linda 1<sup>st</sup>, Martha 2<sup>nd</sup>). Passed.
- **Bingo Fundraiser** - Tomorrow, May 19 @ 5:30 PM. Irene Woo, Sandy W, & Darian Hansen have done a great job of organizing. Prizes include \$300 from local businesses, who were happy to donate gift cards. Food is being donated by members. 24 reservations so far, but people can buy tickets at the door. All are welcome and will be accommodated.
- **Pool Closure** – Week of April 8 – for drainage & cleaning. Open April 12. Closed again April 16 for chemical imbalance, open April 17. Must manually check chemicals daily, per SLO County. The County will return in 6 months to check again.
  - Irene - We should question the County. Steve said that Clarence says we must check daily.
- **Financial Support** – Steve continues to work on getting financial support from Tourney Hill & BLMA.

### BOARD REPORTS

- **Vice President** – Currently Vacant. Gayle filled in.
  - **Need a VP** – Ask people in person. Can have 2 co-VPs.
    - **Coordinates:** Fundraisers, Advertising, and Volunteers. Heads a committee of helpers.
  - **Bingo** – Pool member Sandy W. said that she, Darian, and Irene have planned Bingo for May 19 at 5:30. See info under President's Report. They think we can clear \$600-\$700.
  - **BLSC Handouts** – Gayle printed out 30 quarter-sized handouts for members to take & give to neighbors, businesses, etc.
  - **Other Fundraising** – would like to have something every other month in the summer. A pool party, another Bingo date, silent auction, etc.
  - **Volunteer Flyers** – Gayle will have sent out with the Poolside Chat next week.
  - **Banner** – Gayle asked UPS store about printing banners. A 1'x10' vinyl banner would cost \$75 (\$7.50/sq. ft.). Discussion on size: 1'x10' vs. 2'x5'. Most felt the longer banner was better. No motion to have one made at this time. [NOW ACCEPTING NEW MEMBERS!]
    - **Discussion:** Nicole said many people she has spoken with many people who are unaware that Blacklake has a pool. A banner on the pool fence would help. Others felt most of the population of Nipomo is south, so the BLSC should advertise there.

- **Secretary** – Gayle Turner
  - **Minutes** – Board meeting DRAFT minutes will be posted on the website and on the pool bulletin board, to allow for full transparency.
  - **Poolside Chat** – Gayle will create another newsletter with a review of this board meeting, a highlighted Board member, pool history, call for volunteers, etc. She will have it sent out with a volunteer flyer (see info under VP).
  
- **Treasurer** – Martha Pignone
  - **Budget** – The Actual Revenues and Expenditures sheet was handed out to all present. Revenues and expenditures are below budgeted amounts.
  - **Membership** – budget is challenging, due to unknown renewal numbers. We need new members.
  - **Expenses** – We have been conservative with expenses, but we can't do anything extra.
  - **Audit** – JoAnn Curtis asked if we should have one. Discussion. Open to it, but tabled for now.
  - **Financial help** – Hoping Steve will be successful talking to Tourney Hill and the BLMA.
  - **Reserve** – We don't have one, but one is needed for decking and pool resurfacing. On hold.
    - **Pool Resurfacing**: Bid was for \$26K 3 years ago for fiberglass. Irene says there are other options for much less. Can be checked into later, but no money for this now.
    - **Pool Deck Resurfacing**: Linda, Samantha, & Gayle will check out the Sunrise Terrace deck and get an idea of the cost of resurfacing. Will it be 'cool-decking?' Unknown.
  
- **Membership** – Linda Graham
  - **Current Member Count** – We have a total of 143 paid members. 5 new members this month. 7 members have renewed. 3 are not renewing. Waiting on 2 members to decide. 10 members have not renewed yet. They have until the end of May to pay.
  - **June memberships** – 18 are due to renew in June.
  - **Newsletter Blast** – Linda asked Tawnya (BLMT) to send out the Poolside Chat to all of Blacklake. She wrote a preface, encouraging new membership. Got 5 new members this month, but doesn't know if it was because of the blast.
  
- **Operations** – Samantha Nagler
  - **Janitorial Service** – Maria has officially started. Samantha did this for 2 months (saving \$800). Maria is working 2 days/week. Martha has not yet received the \$400 invoice.
    - **Garbage** – to be removed at least weekly.
    - **Recycle Can** – Samantha will get a recycle can for cans & plastic bottles. Gayle will put something in the Chat asking for donations of recycling money from membership. There is recycling across from JJs market on Hwy 1 past Halcyon.
  - **Work Day** – April 13<sup>th</sup> was canceled due to rain. Will now do projects by sections.
    - **Dump run** – Steve offered his truck. \$45 at dump? Irene says Nipomo charges \$10. There is a guy in Nipomo who can fit in items (old umbrellas, chairs, wood)
      - **Pool Cover Reel** – Martha will post ad on Facebook (free?). Steve will ask Clarence if he knows of anyone who would be interested. New costs \$129 on Amazon.
    - **Painting** – Samantha has found a paint color
    - **Palm Trees** – Martha & Gayle offered to help Samantha plant soon. Cheryl Harrison has donated a hose for watering the area, as well as a smaller palm and fern.
    - **Dirt area** – Gayle will get bids for pea gravel and rock. Greg & Deborah Lambert suggested Ceanothus, as a native plant, but it draws bees. Succulents were also suggested. Is there an old drip system? Will try to locate.
  - **Spa Cover** – Needed. Not pool cover. Spa light and heater turn off at 10 PM and on at 6 AM. The Lamberts said they go early & the spa is not warm enough. Should be 102°. Takes time to reheat daily. Timer has greatly reduced the gas bill.

- **Security Lights** – A member suggested we add security lights to reduce vandalism. No money.
- **Spa Button** – Samantha hopes to change to an analog timer. If the current button is pushed more than once, it shuts down the system, as does pulling the emergency button.
- **Fence Lock** – Repaired by Frank’s Lock & Key. Works well. Steve to check with them about fence repair, as they do welding.
- **Spa Railing** – Clarence repaired this so they don’t wobble. The County required this.
- **Memorials** – On hold until a decision is made on the dirt area.
  - **Lemon Tree** – Lauren and Wes Arola have generously offered to donate a mature lemon tree to honor members no longer with us. Steve thinks a lemon tree is too messy.
  - **Plaque** – Water aerobics has discussed donating a plaque in honor of those who’ve passed.
  - **Bench** – Friends of Marilyn Whitacre are collecting donations to fund a \$1,000 bench in her memory to be placed at the head of Champions Lane. Contact Mitch Watts / Mike Ceglia.
- **Jacaranda Tree** – A member complained of the mess it makes. It is outside the fence at the corner of the property (purple flowers). It is the property of Tourney Hills.
- **Website** – Becca Kellenberger (Absent)
  - **Reservations** – The Reservations calendar is now open for weekend reservations from 10 AM to 4 PM, starting June 1 through June 30. Every two weeks two more weeks will open up so you can make reservations about 4 weeks in advance throughout the summer.
  - **Water Aerobics** – Time changes
    - **Tuesday / Thursday classes** – Instructor Irene Woo asked to change the class time from 10:15-11:15 AM to 9:30 – 10:30 AM from Memorial Day to Labor Day. This will allow for families to use the pool earlier.
      - **MOTION: Change the Tuesday / Thursday Water Aerobics class time to 9:30-10:30 AM from Memorial Day to Labor Day.** (Martha 1<sup>st</sup> / Samantha 2<sup>nd</sup>). Passed.
      - **Jae McKay** – Will replace Irene as the instructor from August through October.
      - **Changes** – Times need to be changed on the gate and the website.
    - **M/W/F classes** – Instructor JoAnn Curtis and Nicole offered to change time to 10:30 – 11:30 AM, but Steve said Clarence tries to clean the pool before 11:00, so the time should be left from 11– 12 PM for now. Time was set to allow the sun to come out.
  - **Online Payments** – Problems with Stripe adding an extra \$25 to renewing. Becca has contacted Jacoby (web master). Several renewing members have donated the extra \$25 to the pool.

**Questions from the Floor –**

- **Pool Wi-Fi Password** – Is posted on the pool bulletin board.
- **Community Room Password** – Is posted on the bulletin board.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT APPROXIMATELY 11:35 AM

THE NEXT BOARD MEETING IS **SATURDAY, JULY 20, 2024 AT 10:30 AM** IN THE BLACKLAKE COMMUNITY ROOM.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY GAYLE R TURNER, BLSC SECRETARY