**Lincoln Hills Water Volleyball Steering Committee Minutes**

**January 9, 2018 | 6:00 PM**

**Location: Multimedia Room, Orchard Creek Lodge**

**Steering Committee Board Members Present:**

* Chairwoman ~ Sidne George
* Communications Coordinator ~ Candy Castro
* Social Activities Coordinator ~ Marianne Crosby
* Competitive Play Coordinator ~ Elaine Kalani
* Treasurer/Membership Chairman~ Mike Mosca
* Webmaster ~ Vacant
* Secretary ~ Colleen Mosca
* Training Administrator ~ Mel Switzer
* Recreational Play Coordinator ~ Sandy Manildi
* Equipment Manager ~ David Fogg
* Email Coordinator ~ Michelle Shipley

**Guests:**

* Jeanne Reinhardt
* David Matulich
* Linda Scott

**Meeting Called to Order:**

The meeting was called to order at 5:59 PM by Sidne George.

* **Sidne George, our new Chairwoman, started off the meeting by welcoming our new Steering Committee members and then welcomed the guests**. Sidne also presented some operational changes for the meetings now that she is chairwoman**.** Some of the changes include topic discussion submission deadlines (10 days prior to meeting) and time limits to discuss topics during the meeting. These changes should allow more structure to the meetings and make them more productive. Any specific disciplinary issues will not be discussed in the presence of guests.
* **A Ted talk presentation** was then shown on effective communications**.**
* **Approval of Minutes of November 14th** was moved by Sandy, seconded by Mel and approved by the group.
* **Mike Mosca presented the membership report.** Nonew members were added in December or January thus far. 108 out of previous year’s 146 members have paid for 2018 as of January 9th. Mike read the names of those still playing but who haven’t paid for 2018. There will be an effort to get the dues and forms in ASAP from those folks.
* **Mike Mosca presented the Financial Report**. The net balance in the bank is $3461.76 after subtracting the minimum balance required of $1000. Mike prepared a rough budget for 2018 based on the 2017 expenses.
* **Mike Mosca reported there was no news at this time on the sportswear sale program (with WVB logos)**.
* **Michelle Shipley reported all was good with her role as email coordinator**. She wanted to know who to use as a backup when she’s away. Sidne suggested she talk to either Valerie or Jim to arrange back up and to let the SC committee know when she’ll be away.
* **Marianne Crosby listed the tentative dates for** **social activities** for 2018 with the May potluck (1st Sunday), outdoor pool play dates on 2nd Sundays (June, July August), September Potluck on 2nd Sunday and October Fall Fling (2nd Saturday). She will fine tune these and let us know next meeting about the status of the reservations.
* **Mel Switzer recapped that training went well** especially when broken down to specific levels. Mel will bring a draft for training schedule to next meeting for the rest of the year with the specific levels targeted. **Mel shared his experience visiting the Sun City in AZ and watching them play water volleyball.** He said they were hitting the ball more than 3 times per side (4-5) and had a diverse group of talent.
* **David Fogg said he has repaired some of our equipment** and also has a list of what still needs repair. He will also do inventory on all of our equipment.
* **Candy Castro discussed the news articles** and deadlines associated with each. **She also mentioned the February 27th Expo** at Orchard Creek that she will need help with (representing our club).
* **Recreational Play Subcommittee**: **Sandy Manildi** said the sportsmanship issue that cropped up in December was handled very well and had a positive outcome. Sandy also said the Level 4 evaluations are underway for the next 2 weeks (January 16th and 23rd) and will end with Elaine reviewing the ratings by the six judges and notifying the successful candidates by January 29th to begin play on Tuesday January 30th. The ratings are such that the minimum point threshold for Level 4 players will be 12. Anyone with less than 12 points will not be promoted. There will be no “provisional” Level 4 players this time around. Level 3 evaluations will also be scheduled to rank the Level 3 players and possibly move some down to Level 2 who are not performing to the standard expected at Level 3. Anyone with ideas to help Sandy address this are welcome to email her. This process will keep Level 3 play more competitive. Sandy brought up the problem of not enough Level 4/5 players showing up on Wednesday at 6:40 and how the committee can make a policy to address this. It was decided to leave things as they are and with the new Level 4s coming into the mix very soon, the problem will likely resolve itself.
* **Competitive Play Subcommittee:** **Elaine Kalani** informed the group that on January 28th after she reviews the ratings by the 6 judges, she will determine which 3’s will move to 4’s and notify them by the 29th to begin play on Tuesday, January 30th. She announced that Spring Ranking Signup Sheets will be put out on February 12th for those wanting to move up to Level 5 or 6. Mel moved and Candy seconded the Spring Ranking signup sheet date. All approved.
* **Additional Business**:
* **Candy Castro addressed a proposal to change the discipline process** (makeup of the core group) and asked that all SC members read the draft sent to them at home and reply to Candy directly by January 31st with their comments. It can be voted on at February’s meeting.
* **Sandy Manildi proposed a swap of nets on Tuesdays and Thursdays** with the Competitive group playing at Net 1 and the Rec group playing at Net 2. The logic behind this is the Competitive group moves so much more and don’t get cold as easily as the lower level players. Net 2 has slightly warmer water and gets less draft from the vents. Elaine moved, Marianne seconded, and all others approved this. This becomes effective on January 18th for Thursdays and January 30th for Tuesdays.
* **Mel Switzer presented his idea of proposing to SCLH to allow us to expand our play hours to start at 5:20 pm Monday through Thursday (not just Monday and Wednesday).** Mel will send a draft proposal of his idea to SC members between now and February’s meeting.
* **Tabled to next meeting:** Linda Scott (a guest) asked when the next outdoor volleyball game (on the grass) will be held for the Club.

**Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned by Sidne George at 8:44 PM**. Sandy moved and Elaine seconded. All approved.