

**Health & Fitness Advisory Committee
DRAFT Meeting Minutes
August 9, 2021**

The HAFAC meeting was called to order at 7:04pm

Minutes taken by Kevin Shaffer

Members in attendance: Jessica Rennekampf, Cathy Weiss, Michele Jacobs, Steven Hess, Alan Lassman, Jeff Lunder, Jack Sacchetti, Bob Berlett, Larry Sorkin and Mary Helen Sprecher

Staff in attendance: Kevin Shaffer, Vicki Burns, Anish Manrai and Dan Burns

Minutes from previous meeting approved as presented

Agenda approved as presented

Chair Update and Group Discussion

Jessica updated the group on the new format for *Board Annual Report* which will focus on what was accomplished this year. Question to group- how can this committee assist in the *Board Mission*-send input to Jessica and Tavia. Jessica also asked the group to look for more potential members especially users of the facilities *KidSpace* amenity.

Jessica also let the group know that she is back using the facility and at AC early morning for Tribe with Andy. She said it was a bit strange to see no towels and coffee service but that she still gets her "nice" greeting at 5am from staff and that she likes the cleaning product implementation.

Question was posed to the group about how fitness classes are going- Jack and Jeff indicated all was going well and that it seemed like people were able to get in but mentioned some sign up but then don't show up.

Jeff asked about shower heads missing at CG and Kevin explained since a gang shower set up that the ones missing are for distancing.

Micheel mentioned how great it was that the clubs are being so flexible and do a good job of explaining the new protocols in our efforts to keep everyone safe. She said CA has done a great job.

Jack said that people will hate if masks come back but acknowledged that "it is what it is". He heard and it was confirmed by Dan that no mask requirement is in place at this time due to the county's very high vaccination rate. Staff will continue to monitor and make changes as needed or as the *County* and/or *State* require.

Dan appreciated the positive comments from the members on how CA has handled the covid crisis and he is proud of the staff.

S & F Updates

Dan reiterated that we do not have a mask requirement at this time but offered that users/ members should wear masks if they are not comfortable with the current increase in cases nationally. He said that he would do what the *County* or *State* require and mentioned that Calvin Ball would be speaking on Tuesday but that it was most likely about the schools.

Dan told the group that coffee service and towels are on the horizon and that we will be back to more normal soon as long as the situation allows.

Dan told the group that Dr. Oken would be hosting a community panel along with a few others to help offer information and answer questions about covid with more details to come.

Some in the community have asked Dan about vaccine passports and the requirements that some states are placing on gyms (Equinox) and other indoor facilities. Dan indicated that we are not there yet and told the group that back in May he did speak to the CA legal team about this issue but nothing is planned at this time.

Dan told the group that the most recent *Clara* survey was the best to date and had overwhelming responses in the positive from users as compared to 2019 (2020 has a different survey approach due to covid). He also updated that last week the clubs saw their highest usage since reopening and he explained that in 3 months we have gotten back 3000 members that were lost; however, we still have 4500 to go to get back to precovid levels. Additionally, we have about half million dollars in dues shortfall but we're moving forward incrementally.

He continued that the golf facilities have seen their highest levels of use since he has been with CA.

Dan let the group know that the *Board* had a work session last week regarding what the budget process will look like for this upcoming year. He explained that the board will be looking for 3 scenarios since CA is still short approx 20 million dollars from precovid levels.

The conversation is centering around what the annual charge should cover. Some on the *Board* are uncomfortable with the perception that S & F loses money; however, all are ok with the fact that the pools do not make money. Dan explained that the pools account for a large portion of the losses S & F incurs. Dan explained that the other portion of losses for S & F are fixed expenses. The definition of what falls into that still needs to be defined by the board but are such items as depreciation.

Dan recommended that the committee keep an eye on this process and future work sessions so that the facility users' voices can be heard.

Jessica shared the link in the comments section of *Google Meets* to the last *Board* work session so that the group could stay up to date <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YVtniHqPx4E> .

Jack spoke up and was upset by the fact that the *Board* is considering pulling it's support from the clubs since it would affect him and the clubs operations.

Cathy also asked what triggered the *Board* to look at this matter and Dan advised that some in the community are making their voice hard still upset by the pool closures last year and advised that the S & F community needs to speak up to make its voice heard with their input.

Jack asked how short the clubs are to making money and stated that his money goes to small groups which he does not use and thinks that some groups are too vocal implying that the club users need to speak up. Dan offered that last year in 2020, less the write off for Haven closing, that the clubs were approx 10 million short with 3 million of that being from the outdoor pools and 6 million being from the fixed cost of depreciation.

Michele asked if CA had ever done a survey of "what CA means to you". Dan explained that a survey was done years ago but that it presented the pools as a group of facilities while breaking the clubs out individually. He explained that even with that, statistically the pools and facilities were within a less than 5% margin difference of favorability.

Cathy said that the clubs serve a more diverse group of users and that should be important, stating "it should not just be about the money". She asked if we had info on that diversity to which Dan let her know that on future *Clarabridge* surveys that question will be asked but the answering will be voluntary.

Michele asked how many nonresidents use the facilities and mentioned how much money that generates. Dan let let know that approx 45% of CG user visits are nonresidents along with 40% for Dorsey and Kendall Ridge pools.

Jack verbally asked for the link to the *Board* work session to be shared and Kevin let him know that he would email it to him.

Jessica also offered that all committee members should log in to the next *Board* work session and that she would send out the link and info to the meeting which should be shared with fellow S & F users.

Club Division Reports

Jack said that Leslie Flynn leaving the AC "sucks and that it would be a big loss but he wishes her well". Dan concurred.

Other Committee Updates

None

Next meeting was set to be in person at Long Reach Tennis Center on October 4th at 7pm. Jack asked if Lakey could attend and Dan said that he would work with her to have her attend a meeting at her earliest convenience.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55pm.