MEETING MINUTES
VENETIAN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
Pool and Fitness Committee Meeting
January 20, 2014 at 2:00 PM

In Attendance:
Joanna Williamson (Chair)
Annette Dwyer (Secretary)
Barry Snyder (VCDD Board Rep)
Pieter Kohnstam (Committee Member)
Nessa Kleinglass (New Committee Member)
Jim Summers (New Committee Member)
Josh Grant (River Club General Manager)
Charlie Sandomenico (River Club Director of Fitness and Tennis)

A. Call To Order
B. Establish Quorum

The call to order was made at 2:00 PM. All members of the committee were present except Lew Perry and Mary Piaseczynski therefore a Quorum was established. New members Nessa Klienglass and Jim Summers were welcomed to the group. The Florida Sunshine rules related to open meetings were reviewed and clarified for the new members.

C. Approval of Minutes from December 16, 2013 Pool and Fitness Committee Meeting

The December minutes mentioned that 1100 Access Cards had been printed and 500 had been picked up. A question was raised as to why so many that were printed had not been picked up. These are potentially residents who have not yet come back or infrequently use the facilities. It was stated that the update number of cards printed was 1452 by the time of this meeting.

The December 16 meeting minutes were approved.

D. Additions or Deletions to Agenda

1. There was a resident request to lower the pool temperature. Josh stated that the pool temperature is set at 86 degrees. Since the desirability of the temperature depends on the type of activity in the pool (floating in the pool versus water aerobics, etc.) the pool temperature will not be lowered at this time. It was also mentioned that neither the pool nor hot tub can be covered at night due to laws related to public facilities. Finally, Josh mentioned that a potential geo-thermal solution is being looked at for the pool and will be presented for approval at the next CDD meeting.
2. The temperature has been fluctuating in the Aerobics room, as various individuals have been adjusting it up or down. The decision has been made that only the instructor may adjust the temperature.

3. There have been requests to alter the online signup time for classes, as it is deemed that the current 4:00 PM signup time is inconvenient for golfers and other residents. After discussion it was offered that the signup time could be changed to 6:00 PM to better accommodate all users.

4. There was a request to have a staff member check the fitness room every half hour to monitor usage as well as loose weights left on the floor. The general consensus was this would not be an effective use of staff time.

5. The supplies (shaving, etc.) in the locker room seem to always be disappearing. Charlie stated he posts signs regarding leaving the supplies in the locker room and periodically updates the signs. Nothing can realistically be done to prevent people from “walking off” with these items.

6. There are a fair number of towels designated for the fitness room that are being taken out to the pool. There was no decision on whether this issue should be addressed.

7. There was a suggestion by residents for adding a water fountain/chiller in the pool area. Josh will look into the feasibility and cost for this request.

8. Nessa raised the issue of there not being enough bike racks by the pool/tennis courts. People without kick stands on their bikes are having to lay their bikes on the ground. The solution may be to add another bike rack.

9. Resident compliments have been received for the covers on the two disability lifts. Josh stated there have been two requests thus far to use the lifts. It was mentioned that the lifts don’t have any instructions for usage (who to contact, were to go). Josh will look into having signs posted referring people to the inside staff.

10. It has been suggested that a sign is posted on the elliptical machines to know when the person started their workout to control the 30 minute limit on machine usage.

11. The issue of an emergency phone in the fitness room was discussed. A sign has been posted instructing people as to where the phone is located. Josh is still pursuing a solution that will allow a direct call using 911.

12. It was mentioned that people are not doing a good job of putting the weights back in the yoga room. The question was raised whether the closet could be better organized.

E. Resident Input

No residents were in attendance at the meeting, however, resident feedback to committee members is reflected in the Additions or Deletions to the Agenda stated above.

F. Management Update

1. Josh discussed the ongoing issue of sound absorption. This could include both new panels being installed and relocation of speakers. The yoga studio will probably be used as a trial, when the solution is approved.

2. Two new classes have been added – another Zumba class and a new Body Sculpting class is being looked into. There is also personalized training classes being offered.

3. Classes have been running at 78% capacity, which is an improvement.
4. The new exercise bikes and back machine have been ordered and should be received in 4-6 weeks.
5. The last Wellness seminar had 15 attendees, which was less than hoped for. Seminars have been scheduled for February and March.

G. CDD Board Update

1. Speeding issues continue on Padova as people are not stopping at the stop signs. The CDD is looking into various solutions, including putting in different speed bumps and possible police enforcement. The issue will grow as the new section of homes is added at the end of Padova.
2. The CDD is working on a strategic plan for River Club usage. There is little support for adding guest fees. There is interest in perhaps limiting guest usage of facilities to certain hours, by card group. A fee will be established for lost cards. There is no support for a locker rental fee.

H. Old Business

1. The committee discussed the sanitizing of gym mats. It was suggested that people should clean their mat before class or potentially each person should be required to bring their own mat to class.

I. New Business

1. The Fitness Center temperature has been turned down to 69 degrees during the day and 71 degrees after 11:00 PM
2. An election was held for a new Committee chair person and Secretary. With one name being in nomination for each position, it was declared by consensus that Lew Perry will be the new Committee chair person and Jim Summers will be the new secretary.

J. Adjourn

A motion to adjourn was made by the Chair, seconded, and concurred by the remainder of the committee. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 3:45 PM.

The next meeting will be held on February 17th at 2:00 PM in the River Club.