

## 4-19-07 General Meeting Minutes

### Friends of the Newport Aquatic Center

#### General Meeting Minutes

Thursday, April 19, 2007

1. Minutes/Treasurer's report: Approved as submitted.
2. 2007 Calendar: Kat distributed the calendar which lists Board, General & Events meetings.
3. Officially present the new Board members: Dana Beach, Chan Christiansen, Reuben Johnsen, Michael Lockett, Stacy Minner, George Mpitsos, Dale Schmidt, Julith Sink, Julie Turner, Robert Wienert. New officers are: Katherine Pedersen, Pres.; Julie Turner, VP; Reuben Johnsen, Treas.; Lynne Steffen, Secy. They will take office April 20, 2007
4. Update from Carl Sherwood: Kat described the "weighted criterion" process the Board has used to choose 3 potential sites for the aquatic center. She explained how Mr. Sherwood used overhead shots of each and paper blocks representing the footprint for the aquatic center and necessary parking to show whether they were suitable. #1 selection was the City Hall/Armory site. Utilizing this method and research, it has been determined that this site is too small. #2 selection was Hwy. 20/Harney Street. In meetings with the County Commissioners it has been determined that LCSD has right of first refusal on the fairgrounds site. We have not discussed acquisition with the school district at this time. The second site near that location is still being investigated. #3 selection is a property located at Hwy. 101 and 40th in South Beach. We have not researched this property yet.
5. Brochure for PUD: Kat reported that the brochure is printed, paid for and reading for distribution to approximately 19,000 households and businesses in Lincoln County.
6. Meetings Report:
  - Lincoln County Commissioners: Claudia reported that we discussed the fairgrounds, the possibility of forming an aquatic district, and possible grant assistance for the aquatic district study.
  - City Council: Kat and Claudia met with the Newport City Council on Monday, April 16 to update them on our progress and also to discuss the proposed aquatic center study and funding thereof.
  - Claudia also reported on our March meeting with the Siletz Tribal Council regarding its potential participation. She encouraged us to maintain this contact.
7. Events Committee Report: Julith reported that we have sweatshirts and tee shirts available for purchase and that there will be a table at the Loyalty Days Parade, Saturday, May 5. We will have a pickup (donated by Sunwest) and trailer, decorated by the Newport Swim Team, who will also be riding in the trailer. They have selected a "We've Outgrown Our Pool" theme. Kat, Julith, Pete's son, Lynne and others will ride in the pickup. Anyone else who can walk or ride is encouraged to join us! Assemble at the Wal-Mart parking lot at 11:00 a.m.

8. Meeting Schedule – also posted on website: [www.swimnac.org](http://www.swimnac.org)

April 25 Events Committee 11:30—1:00 P.M.

May 17 General Meeting 10:00 –11:30 A.M.

May 30 Events Committee 11:30—1:00 P.M.

June 21 General Meeting 5:30 ---6:30 P.M.

June 27 Events Committee 11:30---1:00 P.M.

Seahorse Swim Meet August 4,5,6 We will need people to help the Swim Team with concessions.

9. Claudia passed the gavel (goggles!) to Katherine, who thanked her for her initiative and hard work over the past two years. We all gathered to wish Claudia Aloha!

Submitted by: Katherine M. Pedersen, Secretary-Treasurer