

**Germantown Athletic Club Advisory Commission
Minutes**

**Wednesday, April 5, 2017 – 6:00 pm
Great Hall & Conference Center**

- Members Present:** Acting Chairman Jim Hastings, Mr. Frank Baker, Mr. Justin Buck, Mr. Jason Herrington, Mr. Keith James, Mr. Ronald Poll, and Mr. Albert Pope
- Members Absent:** Chairman Ric Wolbrecht, Mr. Jason Orman and Alderman Dean Massey
- City Staff Present:** Mr. Phil Rogers, Mrs. Amy LaRusso, and Mrs. Debbie Powers
- Guest:** None

Call to Order

Acting Chairman Jim Hastings called the April 5, 2017 meeting to order. It was held in the Media Room at the Great Hall and Conference Center.

Approval of the Minutes

Acting Chairman Jim Hastings asked for a motion to approve the February minutes. Motion to approve the minutes as presented was made by Mr. Justin Buck and seconded by Mr. Frank Baker. All were in favor.

Club Updates:

Equipment Taskforce:

Mr. Rogers turned the floor over to Mrs. LaRusso for the recap on the work done by the Equipment Taskforce. Mrs. LaRusso thanked the members who participated in the Equipment Taskforce in helping make decision on the new lease for equipment. She said it is important to remember on the last lease agreement the Club purchased the strength equipment on the floor, and this lease is solely for cardio equipment. She gave a brief recap of the Taskforce discussions about the layout of the equipment on the floor and the new cardio deck. Mrs. LaRusso stated the renovations will allow the Club to purchase 30 additional new pieces of cardio equipment and 10 additional bikes for cycle classes.

Taskforce members discussed keeping the staples like: Precor AMT's, treadmills and stairmasters, but they did feel it was important to add a few new pieces. Self powered pieces for downstairs like Jacob's Ladders, SPARC trainers and new treads were agreed upon. While the equipment will basically be the same, the opportunities for improvements are in the displays. Displays for the equipment can range from very basic with no TV or integration to cutting edge. Taskforce members chose to go with the higher end displays which would have 15" tv's and personal workout integration.

Next she stated when the new equipment is delivered; the powered cardio equipment will be placed upstairs on the cardio deck allowing more flexibility to maneuver the strength equipment once the old power strips are removed downstairs.

With the added technology of the equipment and network cabling included with the new cardio deck staff will have the ability to track the usage of a piece of equipment which will help staff determine which pieces of equipment need to be rotated to save on wear and tear. The new equipment will alert staff and the repair people when repairs are needed.

Mr. Rogers responded to questions regarding the new equipment lease; he said the timeline of the new equipment lease negotiations go to the Board of Mayor and Alderman on May 8th, with the changeover of equipment at the end of June - first week in July.

Renovations update:

Mr. Rogers discussed the current renovations and the budget for Phase III renovations. He stated there is about six to eight weeks before completion of Phase II renovations which consist of: finishing the basketball court floors, hanging the basketball goals, installing new curtain and railings, and completing the small things.

Phase III:

Mr. Rogers said he has commissioned the same project cost estimator used four years ago to provide a cost analysis to finish the original design renovations project. The projected cost to finish the renovations is one and a quarter million dollars. He said he has in the budget, one million for the project. Mr. Rogers explained he can only complete what he has cash flow in the budget for this coming fiscal year, and finish the project in the following year. He commented this could be a good thing, it has been a lot of inconvenience for the members, and it may be better to extend this out. Mr. Rogers said Phase III will consist of expanding the men's locker room by taking in the hallway and old office space.

Mr. Rogers stated part of Phase III is the continuation of the upstairs lounge area, where the cardio overflow area is now. He said this area will be turned into meeting and a communal lounge space. Mr. Rogers said that social wellness is just as important as physical and nutritional health and this area will allow members personal space to socialize, space for homework, reading and meeting space for staff and our Commission meetings. Mr. Rogers said once the new stairwell is completed, the current stairwell will be removed. The area downstairs where the ping pong table is located will be expanded for game space for members. Mr. Rogers said construction is expected to begin around August or September of this year.

Mr. Rogers responded to a question about the upgrades in the pool area, that he has commissioned an engineering firm to evaluate everything associated with the pool area. He defined everything is from mechanical to electrical, lighting, duct work, air quality and humidity control in this space. He hopes to have a solution back in the next few months, once he has an answer he can start planning and budgeting for it. Mr. Rogers said he doesn't want members to think staff is neglecting that part of the building, and the pool deck will be resurfaced this year.

Mr. Rogers reminded everyone Chill and Grill is May 20th, and volunteers are needed for cooking hamburgers and hotdogs. Mr. Rogers explained to the new commission members who were not aware of Chill and Grill, that it is the kickoff to the outdoor pool opening as a member appreciation day. He said it is a busy day for staff and volunteers cooking hamburgers and hotdogs for the members. Also a reminder the Chill and Grill will replace the May meeting and due to the holiday and new equipment arrival we will not meet again until August 2.

Adjournment:
Meeting Adjourned