

# INFORMATIONAL MEMORANDUM

## Tukwila Pool Metropolitan Park District

TO: Tukwila Pool MPD Board

FROM: Rick Still, Parks and Recreation Director



DATE: June 18, 2014

SUBJECT: Operations Report

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### ISSUE

Staff update on pool operations

### FINANCIAL IMPACT

No financial impact

### BACKGROUND

This Informational Memorandum is to update the Board on Operations and Other Items.

### DISCUSSION

**Program Revenues:** April 2014 revenues totaled \$18,997 as compared to \$19,999 in 2013; May 2014 revenues totaled \$17,724, as compared to \$22,392 in 2013.

#### **Swimming Education Programs:**

Staff taught swim lessons to students attending the Academy School, grades Kindergarten High School throughout April and May.

The Foster High School PE Swimming classes ended on Tuesday June 17<sup>th</sup> with 21 boys and 12 girls passing the course. Foster High School Principal, Pat Larson, indicated that the class would not be offered next school year and she was in the process of notifying those students who had signed up.

Malcolm Neely visited with fifth graders at Cascade View Elementary and led a water safety presentation to 80 students. The students then walked to the pool the following day for a pool party. It was a great way for students to end the year and a great opportunity to promote water safety.

The final Foster High School Boys PE Swim Class occurred in early June. At the beginning of the session five out of 21 students could not swim, by the end of the class all students were swimming and all passed the class with new lifesaving skills.

#### **Special Events:**

**The World's Largest Swimming Lesson:** The Tukwila Pool will be joining hundreds of pools throughout the world to participate in instructing the world's largest swim lesson on Friday, June 20, 2014. The lesson begins at 8:00 am.

**Floating Movie Night:** Finding Nemo will be featured at the Pool on Saturday, June 21, 2014 beginning at 8:00 pm.

Tukwila Turtles Special Olympics Swim Team Regional Meet: Tukwila Turtles Athletes took home a total of twenty medals and two ribbons from the Special Olympics Washington State Meet on Saturday May 31<sup>st</sup>.

**Maintenance:** Staff continued to perform maintenance activities at the pool, including daily inspections of the pool system and chemicals. Specifics include drain cleaning, lubing, deck cleaning, coordinating maintenance contractors, fixing leaking plumbing, and electrical work. There are several small projects going on that staff is handling as well. In particular, this past month staff has been coordinating with McKinstry's sub-contractor for the issues with the VFD, pump and filter system. The contractor made some changes in the last couple of weeks to the system after working closely with staff to achieve the necessary desired outcome. The system appears now to finally be operating properly and is in the middle of its first test.

**Staffing:** Staff have been staying afloat throughout the past couple of months. There have been a few challenges however full time staff and seasoned lifeguards have been able to stand in and help when needed.

**Suggestion Box Follow Up Items:** Executive Director Cargill provided copies of suggestion cards that were received in April and May. The follow table addresses how suggestions were handled on our behalf.

**Suggestion Box - Follow up for cards received 3/19/2014 through 6/2/2014**

Date	Topic	Response
March – several cards	Water Aerobics Time	Water Aerobics will be moved back to the 6:00 pm start time.
3/27, 4/8	Broken Shower Nozzles	Shower nozzles have been replaced or repaired.
5/1/14	Swim start times	Staff have been reminded not to allow open/family swimmer participants to enter the pool until designated time(s) begin.
5/27/14	Swim Lesson Ratio	Staff follow a ratio of 1 instructor to 5 students for beginner lessons, and a 1:6 ratio for all other lessons. The American Red Cross recommends a 1:10 ratio for parent/tot, 1:6 for beginner, and a 1:7 to 10 for all other lessons.
6/2/14	Floors	Staff is doing their best to address this issue by scheduling additional cleaning times - both with the machine and with a hand mop.