

**Minutes November 2015 Meeting
JFK Fitness Center Board of Directors**

Date: November 17, 2015

Time: 11:00 AM

Place: JFK Fitness Center

Attendees: Bob Broadhurst
Erika Broadhurst
John Burt
Allen Jokinen
Steve McMullin
Steve Mills
Deborah Osborne
Jill Steinberg

Bruce Cohen

Absent: Tamara McDonald

Secretary's Minutes: A draft of the minutes of the prior meeting had already been distributed via email. Subsequently, the minutes were approved and were posted on the Fitness Center web site.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's Report had been distributed via email. A few points were discussed.

Elections: Erika Broadhurst and John Burt were re-elected to the Board. Congratulations to both.

"New" Equipment: The Planet Fitness across City Hall Plaza closed down and held an auction for their equipment. Bruce Cohen was able to obtain a Cybex leg curl machine and a Cybex arc trainer elliptical for a very modest cost.

Hot Water Problem: This long standing issue, which displeased a number of members, has finally been resolved!

Long Term Forecast for the Center: The Board is concerned about the long term viability of the Center and discussed this matter at length. Over a number of years, membership has been steadily declining. This is in spite of our having a beautiful, model fitness center with classes for no additional cost.

The Board has struggled to keep the membership fee very reasonable. Costs have been trimmed wherever they could be. The last three years, we have had small losses. We have also had additional expenses (e.g., taxes and workers compensation).

Should the number of classes be reduced? Are there any classes with very low attendance?

A few years ago, the departure of the EPA from the JFK Building had a major impact on our membership. Reduction in US government staffing and tele-commuting have had (and will continue to have) an adverse effect on membership. The closure of Planet Fitness may help.

How to increase members/funds? Various agencies used to provide some funding. Can this be done again? This is an issue that the Board will have to continue to consider.

Next Meeting: Although a specific date was not established, the next meeting will likely be some time in January. We are hopeful for an influx of new members inspired by fresh New Year's resolutions.

Respectfully submitted,

Allen Jokinen