

**PARK AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD
MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 20, 2013**

PRESENT: Betty Sonneveldt, Paula Clinedinst, Ken Blue, Alice Murphy, Kelly Ivy, Marc Siegel, Michael Lee, Lester Whitmer, Chris Husker

STAFF: Julie McHale, Recreation Director
Leta Mach, Council Member

EXCUSED: Lola Skolnik, Jay Shah

Ken motioned approval of the February 20 meeting minutes, and Kelly seconded the approval of the minutes as revised.

Leta Mach spoke about approval of the new minimum age requirement for unaccompanied entry at the GAFC
Vote 6-1 – Approved by City Council

Recreation Director Julie McHale informed PRAB of Leslie Riddle's resignation. Her position will be on hold until after the reorganizational study. PRAB expressed concern and wanted to know the estimated completion of the study due to the fact that this study has been discussed for over a year and if the study is not planned for the immediate future, would the hold on the position be reconsidered.

Discussion on Greenbelt Boys & Girls Club took place in preparation for their meeting with Mr. Orin Howard attending:

Questions to B&G Club:

Betty- tax problems, they owe taxes – do not discuss

- Is Orin the new President? 'YES'
- What does the Community Service Volunteer program – what does the participation include? *Clock management, lining the field, coaching, cleaning the field, etc.*
- What is the issue with the discrepancies of the receipts and/or what was reported?
- Scholarships? *\$4,000 this year*
\$5,000 next year
- Spent \$25,000 on supplies but only have \$16,000 in receipts- why do we keep getting this large amount for equipment- do kids return the equipment?
- Should we have Recreation more involved in the finances and structure of the B&G Club?
- Is there a structure in place for the new person who takes over when you leave?

It has been recommended by Betty and Mark that next year we definitely have a session to review the applications with all groups and how to fill out their applications

8:15 – GREENBELT BOYS & GIRLS CLUB - Meeting with Orin Howard, President of Boys & Girls Club. Michael Lee thanked Orin Howard for all of his work

Questions:

- How do we get a better response in returning equipment?

First year, 10-15% loss in uniforms;

This year there is change in the dynamics of the whole program – specially formatted equipment, go by age-not weight for football; have the most loss of basketball uniforms, they are proposing to take off their jersey's at the last game and turn in - many teams have extended their seasons by entering into tournaments

Cheerleading is the most expensive sport for the Club to run and is the least amount of return

The City will be putting a key code lock on the cage door

- *You can live in any area now to play in Boys and Girls Clubs around the country*

Who else does PRAB want to meet with?

Aquatics Boosters

Is asking for additional money due to additional costs incurred from an ADA issue. Do not need to meet with them.

Recommend that they get the funding

CHEARS

New group must meet with them

Greenbelt Senior Softball

Due to the fact that this group continues to be out of alignment with per resident funding it was recommended that they get \$160 (\$40 per resident)

Do not need to see them/incomplete application.

Greenbelt Boys & Girls Club – recommend for full funding with no reservations.

Greenbelt Baseball

Incomplete application

No expense sheet

Do not recommend (did not complete expense)

Greenbelt Babe Ruth

Was only group who completed the application correctly

Do not need to see them

Recommend the full amount with no reservation

Greenbelt Sity Stars

Recommend for Recognition Group status
Do not need to meet

Miss Greenbelt Scholarship Organization - application is incomplete so cannot support

Due to confusion over membership and resident status it was recommended that next year the City needs to inform groups that they may need to provide rosters (addresses and names) from all the groups to prove residency.

Due to the high instance of incomplete applications that were presented to PRAB (all but one) it was voted that we only meet with the completed applications groups by Ken Blue and it was seconded by Michael Lee until those applications have been completed

All other applications were incomplete so PRAB does NOT want to entertain them

Julie was asked to follow up with the picnic pavilion and report back to PRAB after the Budget hearings

Julie will ask Celia Craze to come to the June meeting to speak about the dredging.

Ken, new business, asking if there is an instruction booklet on how to fill out these applications

Meeting was adjourned 9:10pm