



Meeting Minutes – March 14, 2018

In attendance: Andrew Zaborney, Trish Lennan, Diane Spiegelhoff, Rich O'Brien, Donna Faulkenberry, John Berner, Jim Curnal, Rob Hilse

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 7:34 PM.

Minutes from the March Meeting: Donna made a motion to approve the minutes from the February meeting. Jim seconded, and all were in favor.

COMPLETED PROGRAMS AND EVENTS:

- Rutgers Coach Certification Class
 - Went well
 - Had 11 students in the class
 - Most of them were from Spotswood for T-Ball
 - 2 people paid and couldn't attend, but the materials were already purchased for them
 - Will save the materials and have them come to the next class instead

STATUS OF ACTIVE PROGRAMS:

- Volleyball
 - Going well, held from 7-9 PM on Wednesday nights at Memorial
 - Want to send out an email blast to try to get more people to come
- Floor Hockey
 - Is going very well, had two more weeks left
 - Will send out an email asking about interest in a spring street hockey league
- Adult Basketball
 - No report
- Indoor Soccer
 - Had one more week left of the Saturday league, the Friday night league was over
 - One person asked about having a high school league
 - Don't think there will be enough interest to run a whole league
 - Can extend the Friday night league to include 9th graders
 - Will most likely only get a few kids to sign up
 - Maybe will help fill out the program

- Will get the hours worked by the refs to pay them

UPCOMING PROGRAMS AND EVENTS:

- Egg Scramble
 - Will be held on March 24th at 1 PM
 - Have all of the candy, gave it to the PTA to put into the eggs
 - A flyer was sent out about it
 - Need to get a box to carry the donations in
- Flag Football
 - Have all of the teams ready to go
 - 140 kids, 14 teams
 - Ordered shirts for everyone
 - The referees are good to go as well
 - Going to make sure the grass is cut for everyone
 - Registration is full for now, if kids still want to join they will be added to a waiting list
 - Don't want to overfill teams with too many kids
 - Will add them to a team if spots become available
 - Will start on April 8th
- T-Ball
 - Have 33 kids, 6-7 coaches, and 2 team parents
 - Registration is supposed to close next week, will probably leave it open for a little while longer
 - April 7th – first game
 - Need the AED
- Fishing Derby
 - Dredging the lake is supposed to be done by Memorial Day Weekend
 - Had a lot of people come last year, want to hold it as early as possible again
 - There is a free fishing date in October as well
 - Can hold it then as well if the dredging isn't done by Memorial Day
- S'Woodstock
 - Will be held on June 2nd
 - Subcommittee meeting:
 - The band "Good to Go" isn't available to play that day
 - Dave Mooney can go as a solo, but his band can't come either
 - Can pick music and run it through the sound system if there is no other option
 - Next subcommittee meeting is on the 22nd
 - Will ask Jeep and the Ice Guy if they are willing to sponsor

- Want something new to add to the venue
- Kayla willing to make a new sign to paint for it

COMMUNICATIONS UPDATES:

- Sending out a “last chance” to sign up for T-Ball
- Will send out one about the Egg Scramble
- Volleyball email blast will go through the school email system

OLD BUSINESS:

- Summer Arts and Crafts Camp
 - No room in Schoenly, will have to go to Memorial
 - Have no playground
 - Will try to get temporary fencing to put around the field
 - Can rent playground equipment
 - Can use soccer goals and the volleyball net
 - Will know for sure if they are going to run the program by next meeting
- AED + Certification
 - Need to run it by the chief to see if everyone can get re-certified
- PTA Founders Dinner
 - Good to show support for REC partners and appreciation for what they do
 - Can talk to people there about REC programs
- School Safety
 - The district is going to be implementing new safety procedures in the schools
 - REC will willingly abide by these new procedures, want to minimize risk as much as possible
 - Can try to think of new ideas to make REC programs safer as well
- Shed Cleaning
 - Will be held on May 12th, 19th, or 26th from 8-10 in the morning
 - All REC members should pick a day that works best for them
- Picnic
 - Can hold it on June 10th, 16th, 17th, or 23rd
 - REC members should pick a date for this as well
 - Will hold it in Albert Ave Park in Milltown
- Street Hockey
 - Josh, a Spotswood resident, is willing to run a street hockey program in Spotswood
 - Used to run the program in Michael Road Park in the fenced off area
 - Similar programs are currently being held in Sayreville and in South River
 - Have four divisions, ages range from 5-16
 - Have 2 refs per game

- Refs keep the time, have three 12-minute periods
 - Hold practices once or twice a week, games play on Saturday mornings
 - Play for 10 weeks in the fall and in the spring
- Kids would wear helmets, gloves, and sticks, which would all need to be supplied by the parents
 - Wear sneakers, not roller skates
 - Shin guards are optional
 - REC would need to supply nets, balls, goalie equipment, and the T-shirts
- Know that there are at least twenty kids who would be interested in playing
- Have coaches who are willing to volunteer as well
- Have indoor hockey running in the fall already, can run it in the spring
 - Competing against a lot of programs in the spring
 - Another option would be to stagger the programs – keep indoor hockey in the winter and have street hockey in the fall
- Can get startup equipment from the Devils
- Would have to figure out where to hold it
 - There is grass in between the court and the fence at Michael Road Park
 - Can hold it at Mundy park, by the lake
 - No fencing at Reider Road park or at the park by the factory
- Will use Survey Monkey to make a poll to gage interest
- Will find out:
 - What the Devils will donate
 - How much the referees cost
 - How much the equipment will cost
- If it gets big enough, can make an ice hockey league

A motion to adjourn was made at 8:52 PM. Rich motioned, Steve seconded, and all were in favor.