



Meeting Minutes - December 8th

2021-12- Agenda - Rec Board Mtg

Date: December 8, 2021 7:00 PM Spotswood Borough Hall

Attendance: Heather Paganelli, Marylin Israel, Dan Hurley, Bob Hilse, Rich O'Brien, Diane Spiegelhoff, Jim Curnal, Sal Massuci, Donna Faulkenberry, Glen Betler, Melissa Hallerman, John Lavelle, Angela Andre

Call to Order (Rich O'Brien)

Approval of November minutes

- Motion made by Bob to approve minutes
 - Seconded by Angela and approved

Completed Programs and Events

Youth Basketball (Dan)

- 1 more week until it ends
- T-Shirt issues resolved and next week, they will be given out

Rutgers Certification (Rich)

- Melissa Hallerman is now certified.
 - Any Board members not certified should attend a future class.
- Rich is okay to continue teaching for the Certification
 - September and March works for Rich as certification class offerings

Holiday Tree Lighting (Group)

- Overall went well and was well attended
- Many free vendors
- Logistics need to be better worked out with queues and lines
- Because the highlight of the entertainment is from Schoenly school, parents often stay for their children singing
 - Worry that if the order of events changed, parents would not be willing to stay
- Sound
 - Heather's father can potentially provide sound
 - DJ Pete was a last-minute replacement for DJ Mike and the sound was very sub-par and too quiet for many areas
 - A recommendation is to go back to DJ Wayne
- Need better communication for getting vendors

Status of Active Programs

Running Club (Bob)

- Looking at the possibility of using the track on various days
- Someone needs to be there to take responsibility for the track
 - REC department can take responsibility and run programs (would be a possibility)
 - Mr. Del Aversano onboard
 - The issue is with how to get access to key
- Scheduled a meeting between Mr. Peabody, Angela Andre, and Bob Hilse

Turkey Track (Bob)

- Approval to use high school track that morning
- 54 people turned out
- Coffee/muchkins handed out

Youth Floor Hockey (Bob)

- 8th-grade -12th-grade group is non-existent (no one is turning up for it)
- Closeout in 2 weeks for the Holidays
 - After that, January to March for the remainder of the program
- The younger group has 18-24 kids
 - Inconsistent in terms of who shows up

Community Giving Tree (Melissa)

- Last collection day on Saturday
 - Gifts for children in need
- Everything is going very well

Upcoming Programs and Events

Santa Ride (Rich)

- Saturday, December 18th
- Talked to Chief, he has a truck that can be used by REC
- Need Santa Claus
- John Berner is able to be Santa Claus
- Need 3 volunteers
 - Sal Massuchi (with Rich as substitute), Glen, John Lavelle
- Have lots of reindeer food

Indoor Soccer (John)

- 32 kids, 4 coaches
- Need somebody for gameday monitor
- Fill out timesheets for everybody who is working
- The cut-off date for the registration is December 22nd

- Need to send out notifications that the deadline is coming up

Unfinished Business

Soccer Program (Sal)

- The trailer has 10 bins and has shirts that could be used
- Need to get rid of the trailer and buy a shed
 - The problem is at a certain size, need a cement padding
 - Looking into a 10x10 shed (would not need a cement padding)
- Mr. Del Aversano wants to go with Rich and Sal to look at the shed
 - He would like a shelf from the shed
- Need coaches
 - An incentive could be that child of a coach could register free
- Rich/Angela spoke about perhaps getting a vendor to run soccer
 - Much more information about the program needs to be figured out before moving forward with getting a vendor (how many kids, who needs to be trained, where to be played, etc.)

Elections (Rich)

- Perhaps add to by-laws how to elect people
- Three positions for election tonight:
 - Communications Liaison, No Nominee
 - Dan Hurley volunteers for the position
 - Unanimous decision for Dan Hurley to be Communications Liaison by voice vote
 - Vice-Chair, No Nominee
 - Unanimous decision for Jim Curnal to be Vice-Chair by voice vote
 - Chairperson, Bob Hilse nominated
 - Unanimous decision to elect Bob Hilse to Chairperson voice vote

New Business

New Members

- Heather Paganelli is a new member
- Have 4 vacancies
- An incentive to be a board member is that kids of the board member can be part of any REC event/group for free
- Perhaps have an open house to attract more members

T Ball Program/Flag Football (Rich, Jim)

- Open registration on January 1st
- T-Ball registration also opens in January
 - Need someone to run the program
 - Need shirts, ice packs, and first-aid kits
 - 10-week schedule beginning in April and ending the week before school ends

Hangover/Resolution Run

- January 1st
- Need a flyer
- Permission for facilities from school to use the SHS track again

Background Check

- Expiring soon for most Board Members. Will need to resubmit.

Adjourn

- Motion by Angela, seconded by Bob

Next Meeting: January 12, 2022

Municipal Courtroom 7 PM.