



SEPRC MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, April 26th, 2017

**City of Brookfield Recreation
Mitchell Park Pavilion
19900 River Road
Brookfield, WI 53005**

HOST REPORT/ACTIVITY

Presentations were given by both the WISE Program and the Milwaukee Bucks. WISE – Wisconsin Senior Employment Program provides older adults with training opportunities and part-time paid work experience in community service organizations. Parks and Recreation organizations interested in hosting WISE workers should visit the website www.dhs.wisconsin.gov

The Milwaukee Bucks presented details regarding their Sports & Rec Program, offering the opportunity to team up to extend unique experiences for those participating in our programs. For more information contact Andrew O'Herron at AOHerron@bucks.com or 414-908-3760.

Additional our host report discussed William Mitchell Jr. Park "Mitchell Park", a 405 acre developed park consisting of a wide variety of shelters, pathways, athletic fields and other features.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Mark Thompson moved to approve the Minutes. Seconded by Dan Zeroth. Motion carried unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Beginning Balance (01/25/17):	\$ 933.06
Revenue:	\$
Expenses:	\$ 30.00 – SEPRC mtg exp. (March)
Ending Balance (02/17/17):	\$ 903.06

- Dan Zeroth moved to approve the treasurer's report. Seconded by Derrick Donleavy. Motion carried unanimously.

PARKS SECTION REPORT – Ginny Bocek

The following was discussed at the Park Section Meeting:

- The Spring Workshop was a success. Please feel free to share any suggestions for next year.
- Professional award nominations are listed on the website and deadlines are May 5th. Please consider nominating someone from your organization
- Fall Conference details are being finished up!

RECREATION SECTION REPORT – Maggie Bultman

The Recreation Section meeting discussed the following:

- Spring workshop had over 90 participants, the highest attendance in quite some time.
- The playground workshop will be Wednesday, June 7th.

AQUATICS SECTION REPORT

- A new Bill is being proposed that would require DWD to permit minors 15 years of age or older to be employed as lifeguards. Even though 15 year olds are trained through the American Red Cross that is only the beginning of their training. Safety and success requires excellent site specific training, ongoing skill work, partnering youth staff with veteran staff and having knowledgeable pool managers. We are putting our youth in a Professional Position at a very young age. The Aquatics Committee suggestion was more training opportunities provided in school and funding to help support certification classes.
- Aquatic Technicians Workshops were held on April 6 (Eau Claire) and April 21 (Jefferson). Registration was lower than expected. The Aquatics section will not run the technician workshop in conjunction with the WPRA Joint Workshop in 2018.
- Aquatic Seminar is scheduled for Friday, May 19th in Oconomowoc. Register online – deadline is May 5 - \$28.00 for WPRA members and \$38.00 for non-WPRA members, and then a \$5 late fee will be instituted. Topics include: Lifeguarding: how do we want the public to perceive us, respected as a Supervisor not as an equal, Dealing with Hostile Situations

- Nominations are currently being accepted for 2018 Aquatic Section Board Vacancies: Chair Elect, Sec/Treas, Region 2 & 4 Reps (our region) , and At-Large. Nomination forms are on the website or contact any Board member to indicate interest or nominate someone.
- Section Award Nominations are also being accepted for Outstanding Program, Outstanding Facility Design/Renovation, Professional of the Year and Young Professional of the Year. Please nominate! Deadline is September 15, 2017

A reminder that the American Red Cross Lifeguard Program Update rolled out in January 2017. Please contact Curtis Momsen from the American Red Cross with any questions or concerns on the update.

WPRA LEGISLATIVE/PUBLICATIONS REPORT – Steve Thompson

- The 2017 WPRA IMPACT Magazine schedule for submitting articles is as follows:
Issue 4: 8/1/17, MB by 10/1
Remit articles to Steve Thompson at sthompson@wpraweb.org

WPRA BOARD OF DIRECTORS REPORT – Charlie Imig

- The website has been updated and is now up and running.

WPRA FOUNDATION REPORT – John Safstrom

- The Foundation Golf Outing will be held September 8th

NRPA & YPN REPORT – Anthony Iracki & Derrick Donleavy

- YPN is currently working on Fall conference sessions including: Resume review, Mock Interviews, & Internship Information

FREE THROW CONTEST – Cory Thompson

- Results have been distributed.

YOUTH TRACK & FIELD MEET- Andrew Rossa

- Info for the track meet is already out and online registration will begin in June.

SEPRC TENNIS LEAGUE- Dan Zeroth

- May 1st deadline
- May 24th mandatory coaches meeting

NEW BUSINESS

There being no further business, Chad Brown moved to adjourn the meeting. Second by Charlie Imig. Motion carried unanimously.