

MINUTES OF THE SOUTHEAST PARK AND RECREATION COUNCIL

WEDNESDAY, April 25, 2007

Discovery World (Compass Room)

500 North Harbor Drive

Milwaukee, WI 53202

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The meeting was called to order by Chair Josh Feller at 10:04 a.m. There were 31 members and guests in attendance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Holly Glainyk moved to approve the minutes from March. Second by Jason Husslein. Carried Unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer's report as of March 28, 2007:

Revenue:	\$ 0.00
<u>Expenses:</u>	<u>\$ 51.53</u>
Current Balance:	\$ 728.00

Jon Stolz moved to approve the Treasurer's Report. Second by Lisa Glenn. Carried unanimously.

ASSOCIATION UPDATES

PARKS SECTION

No Report.

RECREATION SECTION

Tom Klug reported the following information:

- Last meeting was Friday, April 20 in Sun Prairie.
- The section reviewed the Spring Workshop, and thought everything was successful.
- The next meeting is Friday, May 18 in Sun Prairie.

AQUATICS SECTION

Lisa Glenn reported the following information:

- The Aquatic Section met on Tuesday, April 10 in Wisconsin Dells.
- The Aquatic Seminar will take place in Eau Claire on May 18. Registration information is available online or see Lisa Glenn for a hard copy.
- The Summer Aquatic Facility Tour will take place in the Oshkosh area on August 10, 2007. Registration materials are available online or see Lisa Glenn for hard copy.
- The Aquatic Technician workshops offered in conjunction with the Carrico Aquatics are being held again this spring. Locations will be held throughout the state. This is a good opportunity for you to be your AFO CEUs. You will be able to receive .5 for the day. Registration materials for this will be out very soon. We are encouraging your maintenance staff, who normally can't go to conferences to take advantage of this opportunity.
- AFO class information is available on the WPRA website.
- Awards forms were handed out last month and are available online. The deadline is September 10, 2007.

EMERITUS

No Report.

LEGISLATIVE SECTION

Steve Thompson reported the following:

- Legislative alert – 2010-2020 grant funding may be less, please contact your Congress Person.

PUBLICATIONS

Juliene Hefter reported the following information:

- Impact articles for the next publication must be submitted by May 1. If any departments have anything to share, please send them, as well as pictures.
- The Committee will be meeting on May 3.

WPRA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Steve Thompson and Juliene Hefter reported the following information:

- The 2007 Nominations Committee has closed the nominations process for completion of the 2008 ballot.
- The WPRA website has added a Commercial Member category. Members can now contact any of the WPRA vendors to find out about services and/or products.
- The WPRA Executive Committee has selected CeJay Associates, LLC to provide an assessment and recommendations on the WPRA governance.
- Members are encouraged to nominate members for the 2007 State Association Awards – can access nomination form online. Deadline is May 1.
- The WPRA Foundation will now accept professional applications for grants to attend the WPRA Annual Conference.
- Plans for the 2008 Great Lakes Leadership Academy are well underway, and the content will be disseminated in the near future for the January 2008 course.
- All WPRA members and agencies will need to register for their 2008 membership online. Members can either be invoiced or provide a credit card number for payment. This new procedure will ensure directory accuracy, as well as save the WPRA Office in compiling this annual resource.
- July 1 is the deadline for professional grants; professional grants for the annual conference are being accepted, which were not in past years.
- At this time, WPRA is taking No Stand on the Park District Legislation.

WYSCO

No Report.

SOFTBALL COMMITTEE

No Report.

NRPA

Steve Thompson reported the following information:

- The NRPA Congress and Exposition will be held in September in Indianapolis, Indiana.

WPRA Foundation

Rick Beattie reported the following information:

- May 6th is the Brewer Game and Tailgate party. Registration ends on Friday, April 27. Please come and help support the Foundation.
- The Golf outing will be held on September 7 at New Berlin Hills.
- Nominations for the awards are ending soon, please get your nominations in.

EVENTS/PROGRAM UPDATES

Youth Leadership Workshop

Mary Berg reported the following information:

- The speaker this summer is endorsed by NASCO and will be a really good speaker.
- Detailed information was emailed to all SEPRC members.
- If anyone has questions, please contact Mary Berg.
- The Recreation Section and the Youth Leadership Committee are looking for interested people to join the planning team for next summer.

Hershey Track Meet

Janelle Pudenz reported the following information for Deb Stolz:

- District Hershey Track and Field meet will be held on Saturday, June 16 and the State Hershey Track and Field meet on Saturday, June 23 both in West Allis. Please contact Deb Stolz if you have not registered for a local meet.

SEPREC Tennis League

Janelle Pudenz reported the following information for Deb Stolz:

- The deadline for the SEPREC Tennis League is due tomorrow, April 26. Please contact Deb Stolz if you are interested in joining the league.

2007 Lifeguard Competition:

Holly Glainyk reported the following information:

- This year's competition will be held at Fox Brook Park in Brookfield on Saturday, July 21 at 7:30am. Information will be available on the WPRA website.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

US Communities/Minnesota/Wisconsin Playground Inc:

Megan Mueske is the area representative for the US communities. They represent a national bidding process that encompasses more than playground equipment. Organizations receive better discounts as this National Organization has the backing of the entire country, not just state and local. Anything a department needs could be purchased through US Communities, examples: office supplies, office furniture, playground accessories, custodial supplies, installation, etc. For more information, contact Megan Mueske at 800-622-5425. US Communities website is www.gametime.com.

PROBLEM SOLVING/IDEA EXCHANGE

- Lisa Glenn inquired if any organization has purchased lightning predictors. Please contact Lisa Glenn if you have.
- Mikko Hilvo gave a short presentation on Nordic Walking. He is running a class in Cedarburg that has 45 people registered. Mikko distributed information about the benefits of Nordic Walking. For more information, please contact Mikko.
- Tonya Tridle asked if any departments use a typesetting agency for their publications.

CHAIR REPORT

Josh Feller reported the following information:

- The next SEPRC meeting date will be scheduled at a later date for August. The Park Tour in Racine will be scheduled in July. Registration forms will be emailed to all SEPRC members.

CHAIR ELECT REPORT

No Report.

There being no further business, Jason Husslein moved to adjourn the meeting. Second by Mikko Hilvo. Meeting adjourned at 10:58 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Janelle Pudenz
SEPRC Secretary/Treasurer