

FAMILIES, PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD
Tuesday, April 18, 2017

A meeting of the Families, Parks and Recreation Advisory Board was held on Tuesday, April 18, 2017 at Dr. I Sylvester Hankins Park, 1340 Lake Park Court, Orlando, FL 32805.

<u>MEMBERS PRESENT</u>	<u>MEMBERS ABSENT</u>
Kevin Dunleavy, Chair Gregory Reynolds Gary Cahen Jason Reynolds Maria Caban Allison Bekavac Holly Kapherr	Liana Leal, Co-Chair Ricky Ly

STAFF PRESENT

John Perrone, Parks Division Manager
Chris Wallace, Lake Eola Park Manager
Kerry Blackshear, Hankins Park Facility Manager
Tara Russakov, Marketing/Communications Coordinator
Marcia Bowen, stand-in for Board Secretary

CALL TO ORDER

Board Chair Kevin Dunleavy called the meeting to order at 11:01 a.m.

QUORUM

Board Chair Kevin Dunleavy established that a quorum was present.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No one from the public requested to speak before the Board.

WELCOME

Kerry Blackshear welcomed the Board to Hankins Park and described some of the mentoring programs, activities, and amenities at the facility.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND BUDGET REVIEW

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the March 21, 2017 Board meeting and budget documents by Maria Caban, seconded by Holly Kapherr and unanimously approved.

LOCH HAVEN CULTURAL PARK BANNER REQUESTS

Applicant/Organization:Orlando Museum of Art
Reason for banner:Florida Prize in Contemporary Art- 6 pole banners and one 20 x 15 on the Mills side of the building beneath the museum letters
Banner Display Dates:June 2- August 20, 2017

Applicant/Organization:Orlando Museum of Art
Reason for banner:Summer Art Camps for Grades 1-8 placed at the corner of Rollins and Mills Avenue
Banner Display Dates:May 22- August 14, 2017

Applicant/Organization:Orlando Science Center Garage banner
Reason for banner:After School Program
Banner Display Dates:April 17-August 20, 2017

Applicant/Organization:Orlando Science Center
Reason for banner:Identity- An Exhibition of You
Banner Display Dates:May 8-September 4, 2017

Applicant/Organization:Orlando Science Center
Reason for banner:Science Night Live (21+)-June 3, 2017
Banner Display Dates:May 8- June 4, 2017

Chris Wallace noted that some of the banners look similar to those presented for approval last month, but the dates are different because the events change on a regular basis. A motion was made by Gary Cahen and seconded by Jason Reynolds to approve all banner requests presented. The motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Board Chair Kevin Dunleavy presented photos of Jason Reynolds and Maria Caban who attended the Volunteer Appreciation event. One was given to each Board member. Jason and Maria said that they had a nice time and that the event was well attended.

In February 2017, the Board approved funding for the third annual Orlando Together parade. A request was presented to the Board asking if CREDO could attend the next meeting to say thank you and present a recap of the day's events. The Board agreed, and CREDO will be invited to the next meeting, Tuesday, May 16 at the John H. Jackson Community Center.

REPORTS

Recreation Report

The Recreation Report was presented by Kerry Blackshear. Summer camp will begin soon- for 10 weeks. Children are on site from 7:30 a.m.- 5:30 each day, except for July 4th. CPR classes will be given in preparation for pools opening this summer. There are a number of activities listed in the Recreation Report. Chairman Dunleavy asked about job opportunities for youth. High school students can apply now.

Parks Report

Chris Wallace reported that Lake Eola Park and Festival Park are booked to capacity, so events are being moved to Blue Jacket Park and Gaston Edwards Park. There will now be a Parks Event Staff person on duty during the entire event, which will help alleviate issues during park events. This increases cash flow, as event planners pay for services rendered. John Perrone reported that Lisa Early was unable to attend the Board meeting because she is in New York City accepting the Powell Legacy Award for Parramore Kidz Zone from General Colin Powell and his wife Alma as part of the America's Promise program. The cash award of \$50,000 will support PKZ. John also reported that the Corporate 5K run was

a success, and that Bill Frederick Park also now hosts these types of activities. The next big event at Lake Eola is Earth Day, with 16,000 estimated to participate. The Parks report provides information on Green Up activities that will take place throughout the City. Sunrail had to change its renovation dates to some areas of the railroad tracks near Princeton Street to accommodate the upcoming Fringe Festival.

SITE VISITS

Downtown Recreation Complex

Kevin Dunleavy presented his PowerPoint presentation describing his review of the Downtown Recreation Center, including PKZ, the gym, fitness, and weight rooms, with activities for everyone. Hard copies were distributed to each Board member. The facility would benefit from painting in some areas and a general upgrade. The Creative Village and future activities and participation in the area were discussed. Tara Russakov provided some additional statistics on the PKZ program: 63 % decline in juvenile arrests, a 73 % decline in teen pregnancies, and across the board increases in the percentage of Parramore students performing at grade level in math and reading. The on-time high school graduation rate is now 100%, and there are 85 students who are either in college or have graduated. May 2 will be College Signing Day.

Dartmouth Park

Jason Reynolds presented his PowerPoint presentation describing his review of Dartmouth Park, noting excellent use of landscaping to cover utility boxes and effective signage throughout the park. Hard copies were distributed to each Board member. Water stations are provided for both people and pets. On the day of inspection, he discovered a broken sprinkler head. Concerns of barbed wire on fencing were discussed.

OTHER BUSINESS

Board members requested a copy of the site visit list so that they will know when their respective reports are due. The list will be emailed to them by the end of the week. Please contact the Board Secretary if you need a point of contact to call ahead for an appointment. Gary Cahen will present his report at the next Board meeting.

John Perrone announced that May 5 is Bike to Work Day, and invited all Board members to participate. The event starts at 9:00 a.m. at Festival Park and ends at City hall.

ADJOURNMENT

Seeing no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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