

Forest Hills Recreation Board Minutes

March 3, 2014

Attendees: Barry Layton, Ed Galloway, Florence Biscaras, Roseann Litzinger, Nick Ricci, Matt Rodrigues

Absent: Joe DeGregorio, Cheryl Finlay

Guests: Jim Kiley, Cindy Simm

I. Welcome and Call to Order

Layton welcomed everyone, especially Nick and Matt as official board members.

II. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes from February 3, 2014

Moved by Biscaras; seconded by Litzinger. Minutes approved.

III. President's Report (Layton)

Melissa Bell is not renewing her membership and Joe DeGregorio has resigned which leaves us again with two vacancies. Thanks to everyone for a successful Winterfest.

IV. Marketing and Events Director's Report (Simm)

Hiring letters mailed out and are due back by March 25. The early bird discount to join the pool or tennis membership is April 1. In-person sign-up for the summer programs is Saturday, May 3 at the pool lodge from Noon-2 pm. A grand opening of the tennis courts is planned for some time in May. Still waiting to hear from USTA regarding \$27,000 grant.

V. Tennis Report (Biscaras)

Tennis team has a Facebook page to distribute news and information.

VI. Parks Report (Layton)

The Propel school in Braddock Hills has applied for a permit to play ultimate Frisbee in the main park. Westinghouse has also submitted application for permit to use the softball fields in July to early September. They pay a fee of \$500. Have heard nothing from Hosanna House.

VII. Basketball Report (DeGregorio)

Layton will check with DeGregorio on his plans to teach the clinic during the summer. Need to consider finding new volunteers to help conduct the clinics next summer. Invite Edgewood to participate.

VIII. Pool/Swim Team Report (Galloway)

Thanks to Borough for installing new windows in pool lodge. Look great!

The award boards by the locker rooms are showing their age. Ricci agreed to investigate possibilities to upgrade them.

A resident of the Borough is interested in having the Gabella Award trophy re-silvered and will bear the expense herself in memory of Joseph A. Gabella. Rodrigues will investigate costs.

IX. Old Business

Between 45-50 residents attended Winterfest on Saturday, March 1 from 7-10 pm. Minus expenses, the social event raised \$679 to benefit the pool. JD Galloway attended briefly to introduce himself and give a short presentation of his Eagle Project to renovate the pool's concession stand with the proceeds.

X. New Business

Galloway reported on graffiti in the main park. Also asked about a date for the Scouts to spread millings along the main park trails. Because of their spring schedule, the Scouts earliest available date is Saturday, May 3.

XII. Adjournment

Moved by Ricci; seconded by Rodrigues. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 7 at 7:00 pm at the Borough Building.