



AGENDA

Upper County Community Recreation Center
8201 Emory Grove Road, Gaithersburg
Thursday, December 19, 2024
6:00 p.m.

Board Members: Princess Clemente, Tom Cove, Mary Kate Crawford, Jay Goldstein, Sam Griffin, Trish Heffelfinger, Joe Hooks, Rick James, Tony Korson, Amy Lopez, David Schardt, Tina Won Sherman, Christopher Wajda, Rachel Watanabe-Tate

Absent Board Members: Doug Schuessler, Ben Corb, Doug Remer

Ex-Officio: Mark Comer, Derrick Thompson, Heather Fine, Carl Weber, Steve Solomon

Staff: Adriane Clutter, Jason Fasteau

6:10 pm - **Called to Order** - Tom Cove

6:12 pm - **Review and Approve Agenda** - Trish Heffelfinger motioned to approve, unanimous approval

6:12 pm - **Review and Approve November Minutes** - Trish Heffelfinger motioned to approve, unanimous approval

6:14 pm - **General Remarks** - Tom Cove

6:17 pm - **New Committee Member Introductions** - Tom Cove

6:24 pm - **Recognition of and thank you to nomination committee** - Tom Cove

6:29 pm - **Discussion and follow up from previous meeting** - led by Tom Cove

1. Outreach to County Council re: Annual Report

Tom Cove has reached out to most Councilmembers to set up meetings. Plan to bring additional committee members to each meeting to walk through the report. There is a sign-up doc for committee members to identify which members they could visit with.

Discussion followed, including about other entities to meet with.

2. Case Study Group

Christopher Wajda: Group will meet with Planning Department on 1/9 about the Eastern Silver Spring Communities Plan.

Jason Fasteau: met with Planning Department in December re: Long Branch Rec Center

3. Recognition Group (David Schardt and Jason Fasteau)

Recognition group is working with Montgomery County Recreation to post an online nomination form for the Unsung Heroes award.

Discussion followed about how the award will be marketed and presented. Action items:

- Expand marketing efforts beyond county PIO efforts, including getting into county councilmembers' email newsletters.
- Create one-pager about award
- Ensure SAC is identified in and connected to award promotional materials and online presence
- Convey promotion info to Parks Department (Carl)
- Okay to create ad hoc materials for community orgs to promote award
- Consult with county about how to share awardee info with county exec/council

7:09 pm - **Expectations for 2025** - Tina Won Sherman

Presentation and discussion around:

- What does committee success look like?
- What are the barriers to achieving success?
- How do we measure success?

Discussion on these three Qs followed.

Action: develop approach for ad hoc subcommittees based on skills (Amy Lopez)

Note: Collaboration Council to be invited to January meeting

7:15 pm - **2024-25 Committee Areas of Emphasis: Topic of Discussion: Coaches and Officials**

Presentation by David Schardt on officials, followed by discussion on recruitment/retention and managing parent/player/coach behavior.

8:04 pm - **Next Meeting Preview** - Tom Cove

Chair Cove discussed potential topics for the next meeting.

Action items:

- Tina - lead new group for engaging community (and committee success)
- David and Rachel - best practice research on issues related to officials
- Jay and Sam - next steps on working with higher ed on issues related to officials

8:07 pm - **Announcement - Capital Budget released 1/15, Operating Budget on 3/15** - Jason Fasteau

8:07pm - **Motion to adjourn** Rick James, unanimous approval

Next Meeting: January 16