

Sports Advisory Committee
East County Recreation Center
June 20, 2024
6:00 p.m.

Board Members Present: Mary Kate Crawford, Princess Clemente, David Schardt, Doug Remer, Tom Cove, Tina Won Sherman, Trish Heffelfinger, Doug Schuessler, Tony Korson, Christopher Wajda, Amy Lopez, Samantha Griffin

Absent Board Members: Joe Hooks, Ben Corb, Dustin Jeter, Rick James

Ex-Officio: Steve Solomon, Yuling Mei

Staff: Jason Fasteau

Guests:

Montgomery County Parks:

Carl Weber - Athletic Field Coordinator, Park Planning and Stewardship

Montgomery County Recreation

Adriane Clutter

Nick (Intern)

City of Gaithersburg

Patrick Aragon

6:10 p.m. Welcome and General Announcements - Tom Cove

6:19 p.m. Review and Approve Agenda

Motion to approve Amy - all in favor unanimous

6:20 p.m. Review and Approve May Minutes

Motion to approve- Trish, all in favor unanimous

6:21 p.m. Overview of Draft Annual Report

- Tom - should we be more active in the community? Liaisons to other existing committees? How can we learn more about what's happening in the county regarding meetings, hearings, etc?
- Jason will take the primary lead in writing the report with the support of Tina, and WG chairs as needed for the specific recommendations
- Question: Who is the audience of the report? Answer: The County Executive and County Council, Chief Administrative Officer, Council staff
- Discussion on details ensued
- Vote to endorse Tina as the subcommittee of the report-writing (Unanimous support)

7:20 p.m. Strategies for Stakeholder Outreach

- Tom: an outreach group is now needed to prepare for sharing of the Annual Report

7:30 Upcoming ideas to address based on current events

- Carl will bring information on the fee study to the next meeting
- Historical use permitting conversation
- Change in policies on MCPS fields (adopt a field)
- Upcoming OLO report on turf vs. grass
- Possible Rec Center in Montgomery Village
- OST Programming - Collaboration Council

Action: Tina - report writing

Tom - outreach group

Mary Kate/Jason - working list of "hot" or relevant issues

Motion to continue work of the recognition working group to continue with their plan to carry out the unsung hero recognition program and procedure (Unanimous support)

Doug Schuessler - proposal to include in executive summary of the "why" of sports participation in our community (value to health education and welfare of individuals and thus the community)

Adriane - tons of small groups that exist but maybe don't always connect with each other and then get siloed, How can we connect the organizations that are doing good work

Complex problems and complex solutions

7:50 p.m. Administrative Items

Update on committee appointments - continue to be in a holding pattern

Officer Elections - planned for the July meeting

Jason will solicit members for a Nominating Committee to solicit nominations for officers

7:55 p.m. Action Items

Next Meeting: July 18,

8:00 p.m. Motion to adjourn - Doug S, unanimous approval