

Lombard Park District
Board of Park Commissioners
Personnel & Finance Committee
Budget Meeting #3
Sunset Knoll Recreation Center
Tuesday, November 17, 2009-6:30pm

The meeting was called to order by President Giagnorio at 6:32 pm.

Upon roll call being taken the following commissioners were present:

Commissioners: Keith Giagnorio, President
 Mike Kuderna, Vice President
 John Bielenda, Commissioner
 Tim Gunn, Commissioner
 Kathy Hogan, Commissioner
 Janice Mills, Commissioner
 Char Roberts, Commissioner

Staff: Paul W. Friedrichs, Executive Director
 Rick Poole, Deputy Director
 Jason S. Myers, Superintendent of Finance and Personnel
 Nanette Anderson, Preschool Coordinator
 Jacquelynn C. Brzezinski, Administrative Assistant
 Patti Doell, Program Manager
 Derek Dvorak, Program Manager
 Matt Fairbanks, Program Manager
 Greg Hooper, Program Manager

To begin the meeting, President Giagnorio asked if everyone received a copy of Commissioner Hogan's questions. The board was asked to review the questions.

Superintendent Myers reminded commissioners that they have also received a revised Programming Net Income sheet and a sample of the first page from the Field Assessment Book. He then asked if the Board wanted to follow tradition and have dinner with the staff on the Friday evening of the IPRA/IAPD Confererence. The Board was in favor of the tradition. Superintendent Myers then reported that he has been working with Clearwire to add a co-locator to the cell tower at SKRC. The company has offered a \$2,000 signing bonus and \$900 per month rent. Executive Director Friedrichs added that the Village is reading a Gold Medal proclamation and that the Board is invited to attend at 7:30 pm on November 19 at the Village Hall. Finally, Superintendent Myers extended a thank you to staff for their preparations on the budget. According to Superintendent Myers the revenue is made up of 58% program fees and 35% property taxes.

Deputy Director Poole introduced the General Recreation fund proposed budget. Commissioner Roberts inquired on the 481100 Donations account and it was explained that was used for corporate donations such as RC concession donations. Finally, Deputy Director

Poole mentioned that it has been a trying year for participation which is down. In comparison there have been very few requests for financial aid for programs.

Program Manager Fairbanks introduced section 59 Fine Arts. Commissioner Gunn asked if this area includes any Theatre classes. Program Manager Doell responded that there will be a new program this winter under section 62 Performing Arts. The end result of the program is a theatre production.

Next, Program Manager Hooper gave an overview on section 60 Athletics, Camps and Clinics. He stated that 2009 was a good year for the softball program. New this year was a set weekend time slot for make-ups. The Mutt Strut was a huge success as \$2,500 was donated to the Lombard Villa Park Food Pantry. Program Manager Hooper also mentioned that the drop-in Disc Golf program and the elementary school co-op youth are popular programs.

After that, Program Manager Dvorak reported on the Youth Soccer program which is going well. Also, he informed the Board that staff is creating manuals for Youth Sports. Additionally, Program Manager Dvorak mentioned that the early bird registration fees have been well received. The Athletics staff answered questions from the Board.

The next section covered was 61 General Interest, Camps and Clinics by Program Manager Matt Fairbanks. The major change in this area is under Camps. Both Kamp Kritters and All American Sports Camp will be held at Pleasant Lane in 2010. This will lower staff costs and compress the school age day camp programs.

Subsequently, Program Manager Doell presented section 62 Visual and Performing Arts. The fall programs have 249 dancers enrolled in the Show. Program Manger Doell stated that more students have been registering that are past private students. Commissioner Roberts inquired about the status of the Sign Language Class. Program Manager Doell replied that it was still offered but runs with varied numbers.

Next, Deputy Director Poole introduced section 63 Gymnastics by explaining the contractual arrangement with the Addison Park District. Program Manager Dvorak further explained the gymnastics programs including the Lombard Leapers. He added that open gym is offered on Fridays at SKRC. Commissioner Roberts asked the number of girls on the team and Program Manager Dvorak answered 13.

The next area reviewed was section 65 Senior Citizens and Special Interest. Program Manager Doell explained that the Day Trips are going extremely well. Many trips are co-op with other districts. Day Trip registration is up 36%. The BINGO program is also doing well with 30-40 participants playing each month.

After that, Program Manager Fairbanks highlighted the section 66 Special Events. Renewed sponsorships with local business have improved the quality of events this year. Also, the indoor Haunted House at Paradise Bay had a good response. Program Manager Fairbanks and Deputy Director Poole explained the Bourbon Tasting event and contacts among the industry.

Section 67 Preschool Special Events and 68 Early Childhood are responsibilities of Program Manager Doell. She highlighted the Daddy Daughter Dances, the Monster Bash, Lil' Rascals

and Kiddie Campus which has declined in the 3 year old classes. A discussion was held regarding population dips in age groups.

Next, Program Manager Fairbanks reported on area 70 Teens. He mentioned that the Pool Parties at Sunset Knoll were popular with 80-90 teen in attendance per night. Also, marketing techniques such as twitter have been tried with this age group. The IPRA Overnight Ski trip was also discussed.

Finally, Executive Director Friedrichs closed the Recreation budget portion of the meeting by announcing that Sunset Knoll Recreation Center is paid off and that the closing will be scheduled in the near future.

Commissioners Roberts and Kuderna both thanked staff for helping obtain the Gold Medal and offering quality programs in a trying economy.

There being no further business, Commissioner Roberts made a motion at 7:45pm to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Bielenda the motion. On a call for the vote, seven ayes (Bielenda, Giagnorio, Gunn, Hogan, Kuderna, Mills, Roberts.) Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul W. Friedrichs
Secretary
PWF/jcb