

HANOVER PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

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Hanover Parks and Recreation Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: Monday, December 10, 2012 at 6:30 p.m.

Members Present: Jeff Graham, Darlene Branch, Dean Lacy, Tom Lyons, Kathi Whitmore

Staff Present: Hank Tenney, Liz Burdette

MEETING NOTES

1. Approval of November 2012 Minutes - Approved

2. Public Input.

None.

3. Pond Party

Bill Young reported on planning for the Pond Party, February 9, 2013. February 2 is building day. Theme this year is "A Very Grimm Carnival" (Grimm's Fairy Tales). Discussed role of town in providing volunteers and funding. Town will not provide funding. Town provides volunteers. Town also provides Police & Fire/Emergency for event.

4. Winter Programs

All volunteers passed background checks. All teams now set and playing.

Some parents have expressed concerns about division of 7th-8th boys "B" teams. Teams may not be equal, but this was difficult to assess at try-outs.

High school age TSI team not set yet. Players do not want to travel much.

All officials aboard for basketball. Schedules out, all games covered.

5. Hayes Farm Park

Quarter Quest was about \$1000 under goal. Staff inquired about a Town contribution from Saturday parking receipts. On average Saturday, Town takes in only \$250 from parking. That could not cover gap in fundraising for Park.

6. Special Events

Turkey Trot. 150 runners this year. Last year 230. Discussion of low numbers: Too many races in area? 10K may not be a popular distance. Maybe combine with a 5k next year?

7. Reports from Directors

Director, Hank Tenney

Budget in preparation for Town. Rec Budget meeting Tuesday with Town Manager.

Committee assignments passed out.

Starting a wall at Thompson Terrace to list contributors to building of playground. Lions Club sign at Grasse Rd replaced after it fell down.

Assistant Director, Liz Burdette

Make 'N' Take Party last week.

Exploring changing software for database program. Possibility for taking registrations on-line. MyRec.com would cost approximately \$15,000. RecTrack is current system.

Facility Manager, Sherry Colfer

- 1) The Make 'N' Take Party was a great success with 32 children attending and a wonderful group of Youth In action girls to help out.
- 2) We have distributed the Winter Brochure with most classes beginning after the first of the year. The "Fighting Fit" class offered by Chris Lord is currently the most sought after.
- 3) The Annual Canned Food Drive has started with the collection box in the Lobby. We will deliver it to the Haven after the Town Holiday Party on 12/21.
- 4) We are exploring the possibility of getting a new registration software system. Had a phone discussion with the company, MyRec.com this past week and Jeanne and I will be visiting Woodstock Rec on Wed to discuss how they like using the program.
- 5) Financial figures are not available because I am unable to access the database at this time. I will update in January.

KAST Program Director, Nicole Leonard

KAST Staff:

Liz and I have hired 2 long term lead counselors for KAST that will work 5 days per week. Barbara Fittro began on December 3 and Rosie Birch will begin on December 17th. I have also hired 2 college staff from summer camp to fill in at KAST while the Dartmouth Staff are on Winter Break. KAST will be at full staff with the additional lead counselors that have been hired.

Enrollment for December:

Explorers: Mon 45, Tues 49, Wed 51, Thurs 46 and Fri 39

Adventurers: Mon 23, Tues 27, Wed 40, Thurs 25 and Fri 11

Waitlist:

I have offered space to everyone on the waitlist for the current school year. There are 21 students on the waitlist for 2013-14 school year.

KASS (Kids After School Study). School asking Rec Board to take it over. KASS will be incorporated into KAST. Will transition oldest kids into KASS next year. Hoping to staff it with Dartmouth work study students.

8. New Business

None

9. Future Agenda Items

Next Meeting – January 14, 2013, 6:30pm