

MOULTONBOROUGH RECREATION DEPARTMENT

ADVISORY BOARD

Mission Statement

The mission of the Advisory Board to the Moultonborough Recreation Department is to provide the public a standard of excellence in programs and services in a cooperative spirit that encourages participation in recreation, sport and leisure activities, while carefully promoting and utilizing recreational resources and facilities available in the community.

Purpose

The principal function of the Advisory Board is to serve as a communication bridge between the Recreation Director, the Board of Selectmen and the Community and to promote programs and services to encourage support from our community through input and participation.

Monday, October 19, 2009
5:00 P.M.
Recreation Department

Draft Minutes

Present: Joanne Farnham, Harry Blood, Karin Nelson, Carla Taylor, Al Hume, Jane Fairchild, Donna Kuethe & Community member Eric Porusta.

Call to Order – at 5:00

Approval of Minutes of October 19, 2009 Meeting

Harry made motion, Jane seconded.

Housekeeping issues:

Joanne asked Carla if she would like to be relieved of her Secretarial duties at this time do to her many commitments. Carla declined and said she would continue with the task.

Jane said she is still uncomfortable with not double posting the minutes. Some discussion took place and we revisited the Chair's position on that and agreed as a board if Jane felt they needed to be posted in two locations she could do so. Jane said she take responsibility of posting them in the town hall.

Community Input-Discussion points included:

Eric Porusta came with some suggestions and input on the soccer season. He also raised question on the " mandatory parent meeting". He came to the board after having the conversation with the Rec Department.

Question one: Could we have a end of the year coaches meeting to go over how things went and perhaps provide the Rec Department with suggestions of how to improve program? Donna said that she wasn't saying No however her staff is already stretched in November and thinks it would be hard to facilitate a meeting with this late notice. Al asked if it was something that we could help with Donna said her staff needed to be there. Eric asked that a date be included in future schedules going out so that coaches would know in advance when it will be so then could plan to attend.

Question two: Can you describe the two awards the rec Department gives at the end of the year and how they are chosen? Donna did so and said that the Rec department usually chooses the recipients. Eric asked if after every season if each coach could weigh in on that he felt that some recipients in the past he has coached didn't meet the definition of the award given. Donna said she would discuss with Hilary.

Question three: Why do coaches need to attend the mandatory parent meeting? Donna and Eric had discussed this earlier and came to the meeting to discuss with board. After discussion it was discovered that this could be addressed and covered in the coaches meetings in the future, Donna will discuss with

Hilary.

Question four: How was it that Brian Eaton was the coach that led the A team in the Carroll County Tourney. After discussion these points were raised:

Why wasn't the Eric asked?

His sons were picked to go play on that team.

Brian Eaton was not a coach at the 5-6 grade level

Eric was slighted in this issue.

Donna said she would see how that happened with Hilary

Eric also had suggestions as to how better form teams for next years tournament-see attached.

Joanne asked for an update on the visit Harry and he made to the Waste Management Facility. Harry pointed out that there is a lot of space has issue with glass in the grass and would recommend fence to keep away from equipment. With lack of supervision could be a liability and felt wasn't feasible. Al followed up with Carter and said this area had been cleared by DES to do anything on. Al will continue to into fencing and get a cost estimate. Al asked Carter about the fields at the Lions Club and he said they wouldn't be started this fall do to hiring of Doug.

Jane asked Donna why the path isn't being maintained? Donna explained that her department was not in charge of maintenance she offered to call Scott Kinmond and ask but that her Department does not handle that. Jane said she understood and would follow up with that department. She continued to share that she had witnessed an elderly lady fall on a rock on the path while she was driving up the neck and it upset her to see this happen. She assured us she will be looking into how we can get this maintained on a regular basis.

Other points on this issue:

Why are we trying to accommodate bicyclist and walkers on same path?

Didn't we buy a machine for this path?

Joanne asked for anymore community input, Carla said she would be filing a formal greivance with Rec but was unable to discuss with both Donna & Hilary and wanted to do so prior to discussing with the board, please put on agenda for next meeting.

Directors Report-

Discussion points included:

Rec sent out letters to parents that have not attended mandatory meeting, and hope to see them tonight @ the next meeting scheduled for 6:30pm.

Donna thanked Karin, Al & Jane for their help with the Halloween Party it was much appreciated.

Jane asked if anything on her list provided of suggestions for Senior ideas was of interest to department. Donna said most needed to be considered in the budget process.

Next Meeting Date

December 14th

Adjournment at 6:08pm

~A Communication Bridge for All Interested in Moultonborough Recreation~