

BEAUFORT COUNTY PARKS & LEISURE SERVICES

ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES

Buckwalter Meeting Room
Thursday, August 3, 2017
2:30 PM

Board Members Present: Arthur Middleton, Chairman; Ronald Campbell, Erac Priester, Bruce Yeager, Mike Manesiotis, Mike Covert, Stan Gangshow

Board Members Absent: Greg McCord; Tom Erter Vice Chairman,

Staff Present: Shannon Loper (Director to PALS), Matt Watts (Deputy Director to PALS), Phil Foot (Assistant County-Administrator Public Safety), Kristina Winland (PALS Pool Manager), Vincent Leon (PALS Pool Manger), Anny Binette (PALS Pool Manager), Brenda Lindblad (PALS Marketing), Lisa Arrington (Administrative Assistant to Director),

Guest Present: Floyd Washburn with Public Tennis Inc., Matt Bouser with City of Beaufort Fire Department, Frank Soules with Hilton Head Island Recreation Center

Call to Order: Arthur Middleton called the meeting to order at 2:30 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all present.

Public Comment:
No Public Comment.

Review:
Board approved minutes for June of 2017. Arthur Middleton made a motion to approve the minutes and Mike Manesiotis seconded the motion, all approved.

New Business

A: Island Recreation Center:

Frank Soule presented numbers of summer camp, approx. 200 kids. Frank presented numbers for the water aerobics and swim program. Participation was up 50% in programs, also had day trips that were successful. Frank also presented a video showing the progression of the construction of new building. Frank stated that they hope to have a new video to present with drone footage of the new building. Frank presented a video of Scholarship program with parents and children's reports of success for the children. Challenge camp program for special needs kids which has been in progress for 20+ years.

Business will be able to sponsor rooms throughout the facility. Rotary Club has committed \$50,000 over next 10 years. Kiwanis club donated to playground. Next Open House is September 20th from 5pm to 7pm.

B: Fire Department Fund Raiser Approval:

Matt Bouser requested to use fields at Burton Wells for charity softball, MUSC Childrens Burn Camp. We have six children in Beaufort County that go for treatment. September 30th is the date requested to use the fields. Requesting three fields with bases for this event, one with lights in case runs over. They will have a food truck that the proceeds will go for the Burn center. Erac Priester motioned to approve waiving fees for field usage, Ron Campbell second motion. All approved.

Director's Report:

- A. **World Series:** Logo for this year provided by Kelly Graham. Coaches meeting tomorrow at 4pm then Opening Ceremonies at 6pm, then keep going from here.
- B. **Athletics:** Shannon presented updated policy of no bags allowed in facility due to finding bullets in one of the gym. The patrons can use the lockers or clear bags. Re-entry passes to facility after leaving till next business day was implemented last year. Reevaluating possibly allowing to re-entry after several hours. Football camp had 271 signed up, very successful. Shannon presented the numbers for all the fall sports presented. Eric Priester stated he has received some complaints that the cut-off time is too soon for the sign up for sports. Shannon stated changing dates to later dates will cause issues with some of the football and all-star games, then running into the holidays. Matt Watts is planning to set dates for all sports sign up cut offs, so that everyone will know when they are completed. He is working on setting a permanent athletic calendar.
- C. **Aquatics:**
 - A) **Bluffton Pool:** Kristina Winland presented the numbers for Bluffton pool from June 1st to August 1st. New instructor for water aerobics scheduled to start August 1st. High School swim team to start August 1th.
 - B) **Battery Creek Pool:** Kristina Winland presented the numbers for Battery creek pool from June 1st to August 1st. Looking to do the PALS Triathlon on September 30th, will be held at Battery Creek High School pool.
 - C) **Beaufort High Pool:** Anny Binette presented the numbers for Beaufort High School pool from June 1st to August 1st.
 - D) **Lind Brown Pool:** Anny Binette presented the numbers for Lind Brown pool from June 1st to August 1st. Pool hours changing due to school starting, September 4th closing. Anny presented a letter received by a patron giving a great review of the pool and staff.
- D. **Construction Project Updates**
 - A) **Buckwalter:** Fully open, there are still a few leaks. Hargray was installing internet today. Internet is working on the fields. Stagefront is working on intercom system today.
 - B) **Tennis Courts:** Tennis courts are next, the rain is not helping with the construction. Two at Southside, two at Beaufort and two in Bluffton resurfaced, should be completed next month.
- E. **Employee Update**

Shannon presented the staffing needs and some changes to positions.

7. Announcements

- A. **Next Meeting-October 5, 2017**

Announcements:

Next meeting is October 5, 2017 in Buckwalter Recreation Center.

No Executive Session.

Adjourned at 3:07 pm