

Advisory Committee Minutes January 29, 2024 4:00 p.m.

The mission of the Geneseo Park District is to enhance the quality of life in our community by providing a positive recreational experience for all.

ATTENDING:

Melissa Olson, Brent Starkey, Kory Lambert, Marty Golby, Val Shoemaker, Andy Thurman, Scott Himmelman, Nathaniel Hines

FOLLOW UP FROM LAST MEETING:

- Marty Golby was selected as the Chair of the committee.
- There are some new fitness programs starting soon
- New signage has been put on the emergency button in the indoor pool clarifying its purpose.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS COMMENTS:

- Mr. Lambert had no comments at this time.
- Mrs. Olson inquired about the missed days in gymnastics to see if make-up days could be offered.
 - o Mr. Thurman shared that he will check with Mrs. Beach on that issue but did mention refunds have been issued for canceled classes.
- Mrs. Olson inquired why the walking track and gym isn't open during weekend roller-skating
 - Mr. Thurman shared that it can be tough to monitor all the open areas within the facility during roller-skating time, but he will investigate to see if there is alternative activities that could be provided for those not skating.
- Mrs. Olson shared that the boot camp went very well this last time and suggested having online classes again for those who can't attend in-person. She had received comments that offering a specialty class and a class teaching folks how to do different skills that change each month would be beneficial (e.g. Introductory weightlifting class)
- Mr. Starkey shared some comments from indoor pool patrons who worried about going into the deep end without a lifeguard on-duty.
- Mr. Starkey also inquired about the ability of people to go from the pool to the weightroom in a swimsuit.
 - o Mr. Thurman shared that as long as guests are "towel-dry", they are allowed to visit other areas of the facility.

- Mr. Starkey inquired if guests are able to assist lifeguards with lane ropes following lap swim.
 - Mr. Thurman stated he would check with our risk management agency.
- Mr. Golby shared last month that he had heard from several patrons that the swim monitors during the 11-1 lap swim weren't paying attention. He shared that they have improved a lot.
 - o Mr. Thurman also shared that those staff members were provided with additional training to assist in their job performance.
- Mr. Golby shared a comment from a guest who shared that they feel Geneseo is very lucky to have this facility (like the Community Center) in the city.
- Mr. Golby shared the movie currently showing in Central Theater is great.
- Mr. Golby shared that the placement of the program guide sheets at the front desk is great and well-utilized and that the free classes the Park District offers per month are fantastic as well.
 - o Mr. Thurman shared that the cost of the free programs is covered by the Park District Foundation and funds were donated to the Foundation when the senior center, formally located in the Community Center, moved.
- Mr. Golby inquired about the Park District merch offered during the winter.
 - o Mr. Thurman shared that the Park District didn't receive too many orders, but that the District will open up the store again soon.
- Mrs. Shoemaker inquired about the basketball hoop on the far north side of the gym, and wondered if it could be raised all the way up.
 - o Mr. Himmelman explained that it was temporarily stuck in that position but would look into it.
- Mrs. Shoemaker shared she attended the private pickleball rental and there is significant interest in more hours for pickleball hours.
 - o Mr. Thurman shared that the gym is often very busy in the evenings, but the District could look into a pickleball program offered by the District, or the gym space can be rented for dedicated space.

NEWS FROM STAFF:

Notes from Mr. Thurman:

- There is a sports equipment swap coming up. There will be a sale on March 9th & 10th that the Park District will sell donated equipment. Proceeds will go to the Park District Foundation. Those that donate will receive a \$5 voucher that they can use at the event. Mr. Thurman has reached out to several sports groups to try and obtain more donated items.
- The Park District is hosting the legislative breakfast. This event allows legislators to attend and hear from Park Districts around the area and share upcoming laws and proposed legislation.
- The Board of Commissioners is looking to hire architects for the Master Plan to see what updates can be made to the Community Center.
- Glass backboards are being added to the Main Gym in the Community Center.

Notes from Mr. Himmelman:

- Mean Girls at the theater starts this Friday.
- There is a garage going up in the back parking lot that will be used for the storage of Park District vehicles, machines, and equipment.

Notes from Mr. Hines

- There were many snow days this month which caused several programs to be canceled. Credits were applied for missed days.
- Lifeguards received their yearly indoor audit and received 4 stars.
- We have sent out 34 business memberships and had 1 business sign-up.
- Birthday party packages have increased over the past several years and we have multiple parties each month.
- Staff have noticed that Middle School children have been behaving better lately. Anyone who notices any issues should let staff know.
- We have several Active adult dances coming up.
- The annual Daddy Daughter Dance is 2/9
- The annual Mom & Son Dance is 3/15
- We have many scheduled days off school coming up with bounce house and swim days scheduled for free.
- Spring Break Day Camp will be coming up. There are lots of Activities for kids to do during camp.
- Pop-Up fitness classes coming up. Yoga 90 will be offered.

Wishlist:

• Mrs. Olson inquired about treadmills that have screens on the treadmills that have classes programmed into the machine.

ADJOURNMENT

• There being no further business to come before the Committee the meeting was adjourned at 4:48 p.m.

Approved By:

Andy Thurman, Executive Director Geneseo Park District