

**SOUTH EAST ASSOCIATION FOR  
SPECIAL PARKS AND RECREATION**

Minutes of the Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting  
held March 17, 2009, in Downers Grove, Illinois

**Call to Order:** Dan Garvy called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

**Roll Call:**

Present:	Village of Brookfield	Rick Ginex
	Clarendon Hills Park District	Steve Thomas
	Darien Park District/Treasurer	Stephanie Gurgone
	Downers Grove Park District	Jerry Yoksoulian
	*Village of Indian Head Park	Joan Pieri
	Park District of LaGrange	Dean Bissias
	Community Park District of LaGrange Park	Roy Cripe
	Village of Western Springs	Ray Jasica
	Westmont Park District	Chad Dyson
	Woodridge Park District	Mike Adams
	Lisle Park District	Dan Garvy
	Director	Susan Friend
	*Superintendent	Catherine A. Morava
	*Assistant Superintendent	Matthew Corso
	*Coordinator	Lisa Rasin
	*SEASPAR Recording Secretary	Georgia Weber

Absent: None

Visitors: None

**Open Forum and Correspondence:**

Susan Friend reviewed correspondence from the Downers Grove Area Chamber of Commerce. Susan Friend reported that it had been an honor to serve as a judge for the 2009 Chamber Choice Awards. It had been a great experience and an opportunity to make good contacts.

Susan Friend reviewed the February 26, 2009, TribLocal news article regarding the St. John's Council Knights of Columbus No. 3738's donation of \$3,137.

\*Joan Pieri entered the meeting at 3:04 p.m.

**Approval of Consent Agenda:**

Dean Bissias moved to approve the minutes of the regularly scheduled February 17, 2009, Board Meeting and Cash Disbursements for March in the amount \$45,964.68 as presented. Rick Ginex seconded the motion.

Voting Aye: LaGrange, Brookfield, Clarendon Hills, Darien, Downers Grove,  
Indian Head Park, LaGrange Park, Western Springs, Westmont,  
Woodridge, Lisle

Voting Nay: None

Absent, Not Voting: None  
Motion Carried Unanimously

**Recreation Reports:**

Matt Corso reported that the SEASPAR Slammers Blue basketball team attended the Special Olympics State Basketball Tournament in Bloomington-Normal held March 13 – 15, 2009. The Slammers took fourth place. The SEASPAR Junior basketball team, the Sharks, also attended the tournament and took home the bronze.

Susan Friend stated that a Westmont parent had sent an email complementing the Junior Basketball staff on their work with the individual team members.

Matt Corso reported that summer day camp planning is in full force. Staff is securing facilities and staff for the program.

Cathy Morava reported that SEASPAR has planned two, two-day Vacation Celebration programs for children ages five to twelve to be held in LaGrange March 24 and 26, 2009, and in Clarendon Hills March 31 and April 2, 2009.

Cathy Morava reported that Jim Cassidy, coordinator of SEASPAR's Youth At Risk programs, is planning a program to be held at the Woodridge Resource Center for two hours per day for six days in July. SEASPAR is also planning to make the Youth At Risk program, Afterschool Adventures, held in Downers Grove a year-round program.

Cathy Morava reported that the Summer 2009 Brochure is nearing completion.

Roy Cripe asked about the inclusion invoice schedule.

**Fund Development**

Lisa Rasin reported that Scot Press of Downers Grove donated the printing of posters, tickets, and postcards for the Buddy and Beyond performance to be held April 29, 2009, at the Tivoli Theatre in Downers Grove. Scot Press also prepared the post cards for mailing at no cost except \$260 in postage. Lisa Rasin requested each Board member try to sell ten Buddy and Beyond tickets and take flyers to businesses in their respective communities.

Lisa Rasin reported that five downtown Downers Grove restaurants will donate 10% back to SEASPAR for anyone showing proof that they are attending the Buddy and Beyond concert that night.

Susan Friend requested the Board members inform her or Lisa Rasin of recommendations of where to take Buddy and Beyond posters in their respective communities.

Lisa Rasin stated that she would email the Buddy and Beyond flyer to the Board members and requested they forward and distribute it.

Mike Adams reported that Woodridge has a new newspaper, the Bugle.

**Director's Report:**

Susan Friend distributed the SEASPAR 2008-2009 Annual Report to all Board members. Discussion ensued.

Susan Friend reported that staff have attended in-house Vermont system Rec Ware training.

Susan Friend reported that SEASPAR has purchased a new Cannon copier. The copier is soon to be networked to staff's computers.

Susan Friend reported that the Lundvall family donated \$500 to SEASPAR for the EAGLES program.

Mike inquired about an ADA issue, a threat of litigation regarding NISRA.

Susan Friend reported that a request to administer medication in an invasive procedure was denied by NISRA. This is a procedure not a reasonable accommodation under ADA.

**Unfinished Business:**

Dan Garvy reported that he, Susan Friend, Stephanie Gurgone, Mike Adams, and Todd Reese interviewed Mark Trieglaff, of ACT Services, an Accessibility Audit contractor, on March 16, 2009.

Stephanie Gurgone reported that they are requesting menu proposals in order to provide choices to member entities; including basics, photos, cost of deficiencies, and priorities of member entities.

Susan Friend reported that SEASPAR and the vendors would like to know when an entity wants to get work done.

**New Business:**

Susan Friend reviewed the FY2009-2010 SEASPAR Budget. Discussion ensued.

Mike Adams moved to adjourn to Executive Session under Section 2(c)(1) of the Open Meetings Act for the Discussion of Compensation of Specific Employees and Section 2(c)(2) of the Open Meetings Act for Discussion of salary schedules for one or more classes of employees at 3:49 p.m. Dan Garvy seconded the motion.

Voting Aye: Woodridge, Lisle, Brookfield, Clarendon Hills, Darien, Indian Head Park, LaGrange, LaGrange Park, Western Springs, Westmont, Downers Grove  
Voting Nay: None  
Absent, Not Voting: None  
Motion Carried Unanimously

\*Catherine Morava, Matthew Corso, Lisa Rasin, and Georgia Weber exited the meeting at 3:49 p.m.

The regularly scheduled March 17, 2009, SEASPAR Board Meeting reconvened in public session at 4:25 p.m.

**Final Adjournment:**

Having no further business to discuss, Rick Ginex moved to adjourn the regularly scheduled March 17, 2009, SEASPAR Board meeting at 4:26 p.m. Roy Cripe seconded the motion.

Voting Aye: Brookfield, LaGrange Park, Clarendon Hills, Darien, Downers Grove,  
Indian Head Park, LaGrange, Western Springs, Westmont, Woodridge,  
Lisle

Voting Nay: None

Absent, Not Voting: None

Motion Carried Unanimously

Respectfully submitted,

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Joan Pieri, Secretary  
South East Association for  
Special Parks And Recreation

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Georgia Weber, Recording Secretary