

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

Minutes of the Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting held  
September 19, 2017 at the SEASPAR office,  
4500 Belmont Road, Downers Grove, IL 60515

**Call to Order:** Dan Garvy called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

**Roll Call:**

**Present:**

Village of Brookfield	Mary Pezdek
*Clarendon Hills Park District	Kelly Smith
Darien Park District	Stephanie Gurgone
Community Park District of LaGrange Park	Aleks Briedis
Lemont Park District	Louise Egofske
Lisle Park District	Dan Garvy
*Village of Western Springs	Tracy Alden
Westmont Park District	Bob Fleck
Woodridge Park District	Mike Adams

Executive Director	Matt Corso
Superintendent	Catherine Morava
Superintendent	Karen Lesniak
Fund Development Coordinator	Lisa Rasin
Marketing Coordinator	Morgan Drdak
Recording Secretary	Carol Koczek

<b>Absent:</b>	Downers Grove Park District	Bill McAdam
	Village of Indian Head Park	Brenda O'Laughlin
	Park District of LaGrange	Dean Bissias

<b>Visitors:</b>	Staff Manager	Shannon Tovey
	Recreation Coordinator	Aaron Hirthe
	Intern Student	Deanna Schumacher

**Public Comment and Correspondence:**

Matt Corso introduced Karen Lesniak. Karen started on August 14 in the redesigned Superintendent of Administrative Services position. Karen started her career here as an intern from Southern Illinois University. She has been in the SRA and recreation field for many years.

Shannon Tovey introduced Deanna Schumacher, an intern from Eastern Illinois University. Deanna stated that she looked forward to the fall season at SEASPAR.

Aaron Hirthe, Recreation Coordinator, provided a video presentation of his program area. With Special Olympics being a major component of his tasks, he stated that SEASPAR offers 17 of 18

SO programs. Twenty nine of the 31 SEASPAR programs offered have active participation. Current SO programs include 104 athletes participating 40 weeks of the year.

\*Kelly Smith entered the meeting at 3:49 p.m.

Aaron Hirthe added that flag football was taking place at the ARC in Woodridge and he is hosting the ITRS Volleyball Tournament in October. The SEASPAR/Kiwanis Swim Meet was a huge success, as well as the SEASPAR Bowling Tournament.

**Approval of Consent Agenda:**

Mike Adams moved to approve the Minutes from the July 18 Board Meeting; the Cash Disbursements in the amount of \$148,539.48; and the Bank Reconciliation from August 2017, as presented. The motion was seconded by Bob Fleck.

Voting Aye: Woodridge, Westmont, Brookfield, Clarendon Hills, Darien, LaGrange  
Park, Lemont, Western Springs, Lisle

Voting Nay: None

Absent, Not Voting:

Motion Carried Unanimously

**Recreation Reports:**

Cathy Morava stated that inclusion staff is being requested for before and after school care. Some requests come in with only a day's notice which makes securing staff difficult. To accommodate, whenever possible Lisa Barrara tries to share staff with more than one child.

**Fund Development Report:**

Lisa Rasin stated that space was available for the Trivia Challenge. She said she received \$1,500 from Republic Bank as a Trivia sponsor. Lisa is expecting 200 at the Challenge.

**Marketing Report:**

Morgan Drdak reported that in addition to her report, the website redevelopment should be complete by end of month.

**Executive Director's Report:**

Matt Corso provided an updated Board directory. He asked the Board to advise him of any updates.

Matt summarized the meeting with Congressman Peter Roskam. The Board and staff that attended felt it was a very positive meeting.

Matt passed on a thank you card from Susan Friend. She thanked all for the terrific send off.

Matt shared a thank you from a SEASPAR family for the awesome summer picnic in Indian Head Park.

**Unfinished Business: None**

**New Business: None**

**Member Entity Projects and Events:**

Brenda O'Laughlin is pleased to host the upcoming Picnic & Flick.

Matt Corso mentioned that the August 15 Board Meeting may be cancelled if there are no pressing issues that need to be addressed sooner than the September 19 Board Meeting.

**Adjournment**

Tracy Alden moved to adjourn the regularly scheduled July 18, 2017 SEASPAR Board Meeting at 4:02 p.m. Kelly Smith seconded the motion. Upon voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Dean Bissias, Secretary  
South East Association for  
Special Parks And Recreation



Michelle Mahlan, Recording Secretary

