

Lakewood Community Recreation & Education Commission
Minutes for the October 28, 2014 Meeting

Attendance

Commission

Joe Stolitza, V. President
Barb McQuilkin, Secretary
Janet Gowan
Steve Ott
Jack Schroeck
Tom Zigman

Staff

Bob Curtin
Jim Reitenbach

Emeritus Members

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Mark Twohig

Meeting was called to order at 6:03 by Vice President Joe Stolitza. Roll call was taken and all Commissioners were in attendance.

A motion was made by Commissioner Zigman with a second by Commissioner Ott to approve the minutes from the September 30, 2014 meeting with a correction to the spelling of Laura Germaine's last name. Vote taken and the minutes were approved as corrected.

There were no communications or public Comments.

Directors Report: Director Curtin provided a handout of the key findings from the Traid Survey. Discussion ensued and then transitioned into the discussion of the Active Living Task Force interview. We were told that the two and a half hour meeting attended by members of the Task Force and School Representatives was very informative. Members of the CREC in attendance felt that the meeting was very beneficial in educating Task Force members on how the Recreation programs and staff are diligently working to do everything possible to provide the Community a well balance Recreation and Education experience. Questions were many and answers to each question were very thorough. The Task Force is now doing research on comparing Lakewood to other communities. This is very difficult as Lakewood is extremely unique in that there are only one of three Board of Education Systems in the State of Ohio that run their own recreation program. All others are run as divisions of City Government.

Director Curtin provided a handout showing that a concept known as Markerspace forms a bridge between the Community and the Schools. So the question becomes what we can do to be inclusive of the 100 homeschool and parochial school young people. Examples might be an Authors Club, or a Coding club.

A handout was provided regarding Teachers Proficiency testing and the areas of responsibilities. The Staff of the Recreation Department was given the charge that by mid-November, they will have a first blush at creating their own professional responsibilities within the Department of Recreation.

Old Business: Discussion on the Commissioners Hall of Fame and forming a list of criteria for selecting future inductees. As an example, Commissioner Ott will provide the criteria for which the Lakewood Alumni Hall of Fame selects their candidates.

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Discussion on the providing open gyms during the winter months. A sub-committee which will include a youth commission member and a CREC member will be formed. Hopefully, a solution to scheduling open gyms while in the midst of the construction can be quickly found.

New Business: With the passing of Don Sharp, CREC President, the Commission feels it would be appropriate for the School Board to recognize his service to the Community. Direct Curtin will follow up on this item.

Discussion on the now vacant seat on CREC. Vacancy will be filled based on the criteria set forth in BD9601.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15. Motion to adjourn by Commissioner Gowan and a second provided by Commissioner Zigman. Unanimous vote taken to adjourn.

Date approved: _____

_____ President

_____ Secretary