

Franklin Recreation Meeting October 17, 2016

Participants: Bridget Thompson, Stephanie Ho, Bridgette Favreau, Nicole Tatro, Brady Giroux, Annie Wagner, Sam Gervais

Bridget Thompson called meeting to order at 7:07.

Bridget motioned to approve the meeting minutes from October 10. Bridgette seconded. The motion passed.

Bridget stated that there was no change to the Treasurer's Report.

Public Comment

Annie provided info about the Queen City indoor Soccer program. She's waiting for clarification on details such as a start date and location. Looks like it will be at MVU starting in Dec or January.

Discussion about how to get out info about new programs to people who don't use Facebook or internet. Perhaps a monthly newsletter would be a good option.

Discussion about what town insurance policy covers, which type of events. Bridget will follow up with an email to the Town Clerk asking for clarification..

Old Business

Discussion about Bylaws: More updates were made. Bridget made a motion to approve updates and the bylaws. Brady seconded. The motion passed. Updates are listed at the end of this document.

Discussion and Review of Facebook Page: All Board Members are admins of the Franklin Recreation Facebook page (www.facebook.com/FranklinVTRecreation). Discussion about the inclusion of photos of kids on FB page. Current page has no pictures of soccer events or kids faces. Stephanie will ask the Franklin School if we can include pics from it's soccer program on the Facebook page. Stephanie motioned to approve and publish the Facebook page, pending addition of the mission statement. Bridgette seconded. The motion passed. The mission statement and a link to the town page will be pinned to the top.

Annie suggested that we respond to all negative comments. Discussion about how to respond. Perhaps invite commenter to a meeting to discuss further.

Stephanie will talk to the Franklin School about meeting with the School Board to discuss next year's soccer and basketball programs. Franklin Recreation would like approval to run those programs.

Franklin Recreation Email Address: Franklin Recreation will create a gmail address to begin with so that people who are not on FB can contact the department. The email address will be *FranklinVTRecreation@gmail.com* Stephanie motioned to approve email address. Bridgette seconded. The motion passed.

Franklin Recreation Website: Bridget provided information she learned by contacting myrec.com. There are several fees associated with this site. For example: fees for online registration - \$30 monthly or \$240 annually; fees to use the service - \$2340 first year, \$2800 for subsequent years. The service provides a website and includes everything, including a scheduler, a calendar, and much more. The company is located in Killington VT. Discussion of other options: a local website developer? Highgate did online registration for Little League last year, what did they use? Board Members will contact other local boards to see what they do for registrations. Bridget will see if MyRec.com will come and give a demo.

New Business

Franklin Recreation Mission Statement: Bridget motioned to approve mission statement. Bridgette approved. The motion passed. The Franklin Recreation mission statement is: *"To offer quality, year round, recreational opportunities to the residents and visitors of Franklin, while enhancing the physical, mental, cultural and social needs of our community."*

Franklin Recreation Budget: Discussion about potential summer camp offerings: art, nature, woodworking, drama. Discussion about scholarship opportunities. The Board Members will come to the next meeting with lists of potential budget items.

Meeting adjourned at 9:20.

Updates to the Bylaws

General Formatting throughout.

Article III, Section 4 Added

All subsequent sections in Article III renumbered to 5-12 (previously 4-11).

Article III, Section 9 updated to “The Franklin Recreation Board may choose to enroll the services of Advisory Committee Members.”

Article IV, Section 1 updated the sentence in parentheses to “(Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Secretary, Treasurer, and Community Coordinator)”

Article IV, Section 2 added last sentence of “A quorum is made up of 51% of the Board Members.”

Article V, Section 6 was deleted

Article VI, Section 2 updated second sentence to “If a member misses 3 consecutive meetings the member will be terminated, and the Board shall ask for nominations to fill the vacancy.”

Article VI, Section 6 updated first sentence to “All appointed voting Board Members shall serve with remuneration according to the following schedule:”

Article IX, Section 1 updated to “The fiscal year of the Board shall extend from July 1 to June 30.”