

Franklin Recreation Meeting October 23, 2017

Participants: Bridget Thompson, Stephanie Ho, Stacy Godin, Dawn Fournier, Tiffany Curtis, Jenacee Ashworth

Bridget called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m..

Public Comment

Jenacee is interested in teaching dance classes in Franklin. She would like to teach classes and have the students put on performances. She spoke about her dance background including classes she has attended and taught. She is willing to teach children and adults, including private classes when time allows. She also has experience in teaching bootcamp type workout classes. Discussion about how and when she could begin offering classes in Franklin. The Recreation Department needs to review the insurance and Town Hall usage policies. Discussion about offering an introductory class to see what the interest levels would be.

Rachel Dummeny sent in a letter of interest to become a Franklin Recreation Youth Advisory Member. Bridget will email her and invite her to the next meeting.

Discussion about hosting a card party or game night at the FELCO room to provide activities for all ages. Bridget will email Stacey at the Homestead/Carriage House.

Approve Meeting Minutes

Bridget motioned to approve the meeting minutes from October 9. Stacy seconded. The motion passed.

Treasurer's Report

Dawn shared documents provided by the Town Clerk's office. The soccer program raised \$2314.50 and spent \$2625.72. Some of the shirts were purchased with sponsorship money which is not accounted for in these numbers. Warrants signed for payments to Grizzly Graphix and Amazon. The Zombie Run raised approximately \$100. Bridget approved this report. Stacy seconded. The motion passed.

Recreation Director's Report

Julie Kittell is looking for a location for softball pitching clinics throughout the winter. Discussion about where in Franklin these could be held.

Action Item Review

The Action items were reviewed and discussed. Two items were closed as of this meeting.

Soccer Recap

Allowing the 1-2 teams to play games was a great addition to the soccer program this year. Discussion about the water bottles supplied and if they were necessary. The Recreation Board would like to keep end of season awards consistent for fairness, discussion about how to accomplish this and other ideas for end of season awards followed.

Zombie Run Recap

Bridget thanked Mark Toof for helping with the Zombie Run. Finishing times were sent to Ruthie LaRoche for the article she is writing. The list of students who volunteered was to the NHS leader. It would have been good to have a port-o-let at the run. Lots of positive feedback has been received from participants and community members. Discussion about hosting more runs throughout the year.

Bylaw Update and Approval

The proposed updates to the Bylaws were posted on the town website and there were no comments. Stacy motioned to approve the updates. Bridget seconded. The motion passed.

Paint and Sip

Stacy spoke with John Young and he is happy to host a paint and sip as a fundraiser for Franklin Recreation. For fundraisers, he charges \$20 per person; for private events, he charges \$40 per person. Franklin Recreation will charge \$35. The room will need to be set up with tables and chairs allowing two feet per person. There will be a minimum of 15 people needed for the event and a maximum of 32 people. 14th Star will do a beer tasting, providing four 2oz samples for each attendee. They are working on obtaining appropriate permits.

Basketball

The basketball program will need to purchase both jr. and women's size balls. Dawn has selected jerseys to order for the 3-4 and 5-6 teams. The registration form should be sent home soon. Discussion about holding a hoop shoot event.

Football

The Girl Scouts are holding a Powder Puff flag football game. Discussion about opening the game to all local girls, but decided to keep the game to Girl Scouts only for this first event. There is the possibility of hosting a bigger event next year if this one is successful. The Boy/Cub Scouts will be invited to cheerlead.

Scott's Field Grant

Review of the Scott's Field Grant application and discussion about improvements that could be made to the Franklin Ball Fields that fit within the Grant requirements. The Grant is due November 15.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:03 p.m..