

West Carroll Recreation Council
Meeting Minutes
February 13, 2017

Attendance

Members Present

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| • Heather McKenzie | • Shannon Marble | • Kim Smith |
| • Penny Rockwood | • Carlos Felicia | • Melissa Lease |
| • Sandy Sullivan | • Jennifer Griffin | • Brad Rockwood |
| • Matt Watkins | • Brian Clinton | • Josh Porter |
| • Jenifer Patterson | • Darnella Cornick | • Oralee Smith |
| • Kevin Cornick | • Jay Wantz | • Andy Bohn |

Meeting Call to Order – By President, H. McKenzie at 7:00pm.

Previous Months Minutes – January 2017 Meeting Minutes reviewed. Motion to approve M. Watkins, Second Brad Rockwood. Voted for approval.

Presidents Report – H. McKenzie:

- Football program from Frederick and Taneytown Monarchs girls' softball program sponsored by the TT Lions have reached out to WCRC for possible collaboration.
- NW Town Manager confirmed WCRC has access to Seibel fields. Acknowledged that fields need some work and are open to sharing mowing and upkeep with WCRC programs. Fields may be used for programs other than baseball or soccer.
- Penny Rockwood and Jenifer Patterson attended FOCRCP meeting on January 24th representing WCRC.

Treasurers Report – Treasurer, S. Sullivan presented report. Refer to Treasurer Report for detailed accounting. Balance as of February 13, 2017 = \$51,628.52. Income \$4,068.24 and expenses \$1,493.56. Motion to approve Brad Rockwood. Second Wyatt Griffin. Voted for approval.

County Rep Report – L. Lustig reported:

- Free Kids Fishing Rodeo events, for kids under 15 years old, 8 am – 3 pm, April 30th at Westminster Community Pond and May 21st at Krimgold Park.
- Disc Golf Tournament, April 22nd at Leister Park and Park Legacy Golf Outing to support the park legacy fund on May 22 at 7:30 pm at Oakmont Golf course in Hampstead.
- Therapeutic Rec Council wants to co-sponsor programs with any council, contact Debbie Gemmill at Parks and Rec if interested.
- Self- help grant deadline has passed. Councils that submitted proposals must have a rep at the meeting to present it. Next cycle will have a full allotment of money, due date is September 6, 2017.
- FOCRCP meeting, Jeff Degeitz Director of Recs and Parks, informed that CCRP instituting a Lifetime Achievement Award, councils can nominate up to 5 people. Requirements for nominations: At least 20 years of service to a rec council or community in general. Individuals who have passed are eligible if meet other criteria. Ceremony held with VOY awards. The first cycle of nominees will be considered in 2017 and awards given in October / November. Five the first 3 years and maximum of three in the years to follow.

Area Coordinator Report – P. Rockwood reported

- FOCRCP – badge updates, yellow expires in 2017 and red is 2018. Don't have to send a new picture. The \$2.00 badge is on target with what was budgeted.
 - FOCRCP – all rec councils are required to have two signatures on their rec council checks. Programs with own accounts under the councils are not required to do this.
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- Submitted facilities usage requests for indoor and outdoor for FKS track and Field. Baseball and art at Runnymede and waiting to hear back from FSK for one art date.

NW Liaison Report – K. Cornick

Did not attend February meeting.

UB Liaison Report – No report. Shannon Marble self-nominated for the open position and B. Rockwood seconded. Heather explained expectation is to attend the town meetings and look for opportunities for the WCRC to collaborate with town.

Communication Committee - No report.

Program Reports -

M. Watkins - Pre-Season Lacrosse Girls 7 Boys– Next week closing registration. Had 4 weeks of beginning camps at FSK. Three years and under, 19 girls and 11 boys. Thank you to baseball for sharing time at the gym. Girl's numbers are good, boy's numbers not so good. Nothing above U9 on boys. Higher age levels worked with Gamber program who will take on these players and keep them on the same team.

Girl's teams have all age groups and returning coaches and volunteers. System is stable. Issue on boy's side is stability of younger kids. Two years at every age group. Need to recruit a lot more or unlikely can build a U11 boys team for next year. Need stability, tried beginning camps, and reached out to elementary schools to try to get the word out.

B. Rockwood - Pre-Season – Rugby – Girls HS coach stepped down, new coach is Gabby Balisone, came through WCRC program, was assistant and now head coach. Goals are same, give kids opportunity to do something fun and challenge them. Financially in good shape. Practices have started. Practicing Tuesday and Thursday at the ag center. Will accept registration up until two weeks prior to the first game. Submitted written report.

J. Griffin - Baseball Pre-Season – To field two teams they need 2 more 9/10 players. Will also have two 7/8 year old teams and five t-ball teams. Receiving lots of emails. Must turn in paperwork to league by 2/16 so needs two players now if others can spread the word. Has coaches, may need use of Seibel fields. Will need a lot more equipment. Thinking of doing a raffle to raise money to purchase new equipment.

W. Griffin - Wrestling Post Season – Numbers down to 20 wrestlers, were in CWA conference. At the conference tournament qualified 11 of 20 wrestlers, kids placed 4th or better, 5 first place, a few seconds, only 9 moving on, others were too young (5 five year olds). Great volunteers this year. Next season will move to Frederick, a more advanced league and will maintain CWA membership. Still looking for someone to take over as coordinator. Paid four coaches plus had one volunteer Dad. H. McKenzie instructed to please submit report electronically.

M. Watkins – Post Season Soccer – Very successful season, integration of WCRC and Taneytown programs was difficult. Program participated in a different league this year, much better competition than used to. Attended a board meeting this week, Lisa Rock and Matt stepping down from the soccer board. Others members have been there for a long time are not stepping down. Administration is seeing through everything with integration that has been started. Soccer struggling with girls. Had 1 female only team play in the Frederick league. Good financial position, are some details to complete before Matt and Lisa step down.

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Old Business –

Taneytown program merge change to by-laws - Jay Wantz presents update on last meeting of coming together of Taneytown and WCRC basketball, requests WCRC make a bylaw change to merge 3 groups, WCRC boys, WCRC girls and Taneytown basketball. Made a motion at the last meeting to officially merge. There were some lessons learned, the relationships that were working together before they merged worked better. Come to WCRC with proposal to rename as FSK Jr. Eagles Taneytown and WCRC Basketball. Executive board will be a mix of WCRC and Taneytown. They will make sure that the bylaws of that organization bring in the best of all. Motion carried unanimously at the Taneytown meeting now coming to WCRC to ask for the merge. J. Wantz explained that Taneytown programs with boards have sent their bylaws in but he will make sure that their bylaws match those of the WCRC. Those bylaws then will be submitted to H. McKenzie.

M. Watkins notes that all programs with exception of rugby and baseball have either play or practice in Taneytown or have board members from Taneytown. Request for merging programs should come separate from the bylaw change.

H. McKenzie explains WCRC will need 2/3 vote of quorum for change and will have to amend bylaws to add Taneytown town to whom WCRC provides service to and add another executive board member to the council from Taneytown, along with having reps to attend both councils.

New proposed amendment will be sent via email to full membership and vote will take place at the March 2017 meeting. Jay will submit to Heather the bylaws with changes they have now. Will have it in writing at the next council meeting.

New Business –

Springdale Prep & Ziegler Hospitality Center - Marianne Grossnickle, hospitality manager from the Brethren Center, attended on behalf of the Springdale prep school and the center to discuss possible use of the Blue Ridge building basement in conjunction with WCRC programs and the community. By April, upper section of the campus will transition to Springdale prep and students. School may be hosting camps and elder hostel camps, facility will be open as early as May 2017 for use by other organizations. They can provide pricing for usage and boarding. Space can accommodate up to 64 people. H. McKenzie will inform coordinators that facilities are available. M. Grossnickle asked for ideas from the council for other usage possibilities. L. Lustig mentioned requirements for COMAR camps, which are overseen by state authorities. H. McKenzie will meet with M. Grossnickle and Mr. Graham, Springdale Prep representative. Coordinators should email H. McKenzie if have ideas presented at the meeting.

Check signatory change to the bylaws – Per CCPR requirements, all rec councils must have two signatures for all council checks. This as a theoretical safeguard and a check and balance. Discussion that two programs remain that need council checks, hockey and art, all other programs have own boards and checking accounts.

Heather: Motion to revise by laws in Section 3 so all checks issued in the council's name must be signed by the Treasurer and (change wording from or to and) Treasurer and President or Vice President. M Watkins motion to amend bylaws section 3 to read "all checks, drafts or orders

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must be signed by the treasurer and president or vice president. All approved except B. Rockwood voted nay. H. McKenzie announced “make the change”, S. Marble seconds.

H. McKenzie requests that the CCPR update the Guidelines for Rec Council Sponsored Program. “What is a Council Sponsored Program?” to reflect the new requirement. L. Lustig asks for an emailed request.

Parent Survey - If any programs want to send surveys out to parents, let Heather know.

Community Forum/Public Comments – No new topics.

Wrap Up/Announcements – Next meeting scheduled, Monday, March 13, 7:00pm.

Adjourn – Motion made to adjourn meeting by B. Rockwood, M. Lease Second. Meeting adjourned at 8:25pm.

Respectfully Submitted – 2017 WCRC Secretary Jenifer Patterson

Follow Up Items	
WHO	WHAT
J. Wantz	Submit the basketball bylaw change to Heather.
H. McKenzie	Email to full membership explaining the bylaw change regarding Taneytown programs.
H. McKenzie	Information out to all members about use of Brethren Center / Springdale Prep facilities.
H. McKenzie	Send email to Loren Lustig as a reminder that CCRP needs to update their “What is a sponsored program” page in the rec council guide.
W. Griffin	Wyatt Griffin needs to submit wrestling of season report electronically.
Coordinators	Any member with ideas for collaboration between Brethren Center, Springdale Prep and WCRC should submit ideas to Heather for meeting with Marianne.