



**BOARD OF DIRECTORS - REGULAR MEETING MINUTES - SEPTEMBER 14, 2022 - 10:00 a.m.
WORTH PARK DISTRICT – 11500 S. Beloit Ave., Worth**

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 10:02 a.m. by Director Whitcomb

II. ROLL CALL – PRESENT:

POSEN PARK DISTRICT	T. J. WHITCOMB, PRESIDENT
HICKORY HILLS PARK DISTRICT	JENNIFER FULLERTON, VICE PRESIDENT
PALOS HEIGHTS RECREATION DEPT.	MATT FAIRBANKS, SECRETARY
WORTH PARK DISTRICT	ROBERT O’SHAUGHNESSY, TREASURER
MIDLOTHIAN PARK DISTRICT	ED JUNG
ALSIP PARK DISTRICT	JEANNETTE HUBER

ROLL CALL - ABSENT:

BLUE ISLAND PARK DISTRICT	TEDDY RUTHENBERG
VILLAGE OF MERRIONETTE PARK	MICHELLE HIGGINS

SWSRA TEAM- PRESENT:

NICOLETTE LAHMAN	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
DAWN KEHOE	BUSINESS MANAGER
MARINA UHER	SUPERINTENDENT OF RECREATION

III. VISITOR AND CITIZEN COMMENTS -

Jairo Gutierrez, Sergeant of Alsip Police Department spoke on behalf of Jay Miller, Police Chief to extend Thank You to SWSRA for supporting and volunteering at their events such as Torch Run, Cops on Rooftop, Ice Cream Social, etc.

SWSRA interns, Jose Salgado and Ami Ill, made introductions to the Board of Directors noting their current colleges.

IV. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS/CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting –AUGUST 17, 2022
 - B. Disbursements – AUGUST Totaling \$14,516.99
 - C. Financial Reports – AUGUST - Treasurer’s Report and Income Statement
- Motion made by Director Huber, seconded by Director Fullerton to Approve the Administrative Matters/Consent Agenda as presented. Roll was called with Director Whitcomb, Fullerton, Fairbanks, O’Shaughnessy, Jung, and Huber voting Yes. Motion passed 6 – 0.

V. PRESIDENT’S REPORT

- A. Correspondence - None
- B. Public Recognition – None

VI. STAFF REPORTS

- A. Executive Director Report, Nicolette Lahman – Report was placed on file
 - A. Alsip Police Dept. – Noted Jairo’s invite to today’s meeting.
 - B. August 2022 Donations/Sponsorships Received (**See attached**)
 - C. Recreation Report (**See attached**) – Marina Uher presented Report and it was placed on fileMarina added the following to her report:

Fall Season – started in September with the most enrollment, programs and special events since pre-Covid.

Oasis – is back with 12 participants, 1 on waitlist and Thanks to Director O’Shaughnessy for having us back.

Inclusion – hosting another follow-up training for preschool teachers on January 5 per their request.

Sensory Room - offering preschool field trips; they would have an hour in the room and program room.

Marina noted we would like to “pilot a program” to be a guest reader at your preschools for disability awareness. Also, SWSRA and SSSRA are trying build our adaptive program and distributed the flyer for Adaptive Basketball for our Member Districts to post at their agencies.

D. OASIS Park clean up dates – Nicolette added the staff has done an amazing job with growing the program and getting our participants involved in the communities.

E. Bus

F. Golf Outing

G. Upcoming Events – Nicolette added the following to her report:

PDRMA – Fleet review is scheduled for tomorrow.

Crestwood – A staff member called inquiring about SWSRA and followed up with an email to him.

Alsip Police Department – Shared some ideas regarding the possibility of piloting a training program “how to desensitize when approaching individuals with a disability” starting with the Alsip Police Department.

Team Bonding with Member Districts – Played pickle ball with Palos Heights a few months ago, and upcoming volleyball with Alsip in October.

B. Attorney Report – None

VII. OLD BUSINESS (*= Action or Approval Item) - None

VIII. NEW BUSINESS (*=Action or Approval Item) - None

IX. BOARD OF DIRECTORS’ COMMENTS

Director Whitcomb - Resale event next Saturday, Blood Drive Oct. 9, and Halloween Eve Flashlight Egg Hunt.

Director Fullerton – OSLAD grant application for Osbourne Park. Shared details regarding roof scan on one of their buildings.

Director O’Shaughnessy - OSLAD Grant for Homerding Park; had good attendance at community meeting. Shared details that “marketing” was home delivery of brochures with details of meeting date.

Director Huber - Value Engineering will be involved with the Apollo Recreation Center project with kickoff by October. Intent is to remain open and it is expected to be a 7-month project. Shared details about “positive pay” that they are now using due to experiencing check fraud this week with Old National Bank.

Director Jung - Fall Fest Oct. 8, Preschool started yesterday and is full, program for 1 ½ yr. olds starts next Friday.

Director Fairbanks – OSLAD Grant for phase of re-doing the pool starting with bath house area. Community meeting last week had good attendance also; second meeting next Tuesday. Shared “marketing” details were via FB, Website and direct emails. Invited all to ribbon cutting ceremony; “Kendall Coyne’s Dream Big Park” October 19 at 3pm.

Also, the October 19 meeting was rescheduled for 1pm at Alsip Park District; if anything changes with the location Director Huber will let the board know.

X. EXECUTIVE SESSION (if necessary)

XI. RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING

XII. ADJOURNMENT OF REGULAR MEETING

Motion made by Director Huber, seconded by Director Fullerton to adjourn the Regular Board Meeting at 11:11 a.m. Motion passed by voice vote 6 – 0.