

**Approved Minutes**  
**Recreation Board Meeting**  
**Monday, September 8, 2014**  
**6:30 p.m.**  
**College Park Community Center**  
**5051 Pierce Avenue**

<u>Members</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Jazs Araghi	<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u> (arrived at 6:40 p.m.)
Alan Bradford	<u>      </u>	<u>  X  </u>
Adele Ellis	<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>
Eric Grims	<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u> <i>Newly appointed member</i>
Bettina McCloud	<u>      </u>	<u>  X  </u>
Judith Oarr	<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>
Barbara Pianowski	<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>
Solonnie Privett	<u>      </u>	<u>  X  </u>

**Also Present:**

**Sharon Fletcher, Department of Public Services Administrative Assistant; Cheryl Moran, M-NCPPC;**  
**Julie Beavers, Recording Secretary**

**I. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 6:31 p.m.

**II. Welcome New Board Member – Eric Grims**

Mrs. Ellis welcomed Mr. Grims to the Recreation Board.

**III. Approval of Agenda**

Ms. Oarr moved to approve the agenda. Mrs. Pianowski seconded the motion.

All were in favor. **The motion passed 4-0-0**

**IV. Recent Events**

a. National Night Out - 08/05/2014

Mrs. Pianowski reported that the College Park Woods Swimming pool hosted a successful event attended by residents, elected officials and PGPD. Mr. Grims reported that he attended both the North College park event and Berwyn Neighborhood Event at Fishnet Restaurant.

- b. KMG – Community Service/School Supply Give Away – 08/23/2014  
The event was well attended. Mr. Grims asked whether it would be repeated. Ms. Fletcher reported that there was damage to the field as the moonbounce driers went against Mr. Bradford’s instructions not to drive onto the wet fields.
- c. Movie Night – 08/29/2014  
Ms. Fletcher reported that there were approximately thirty (30) adults and children in attendance. While there was a good turnout, there were technical difficulties with a dirty/damaged DVD which kept freezing and one of the speakers stopped working.

## V. Future Events

- a. Breakfast with Santa 12/13/2014  
Ms. Moran confirmed the date as December 13<sup>th</sup>. She indicated that she would check with CPCC Program Specialist Courtney Lancaster about the entertainment which will most likely be a magician. The theme will relate to Disney movies.
- b. Blues Festival - 11/08/2014  
Ms. Araghi reported that Jackie Scott and the ~~House Wreckers~~ HOUSEWRECKERS will headline this year’s Festival and that the DC Blues Society Band has a new lead vocalist. The Battle of the Bands winner will be selected on October 18<sup>th</sup>.  
She also indicated that there would be some repeat vendors from last year as well as new vendors recruited from the local Farmer’s Markets. Joe Mullineaux of UM Dining Services is looking into healthier food options and local beer for sale.

Ms. Moran will check to see if Park and Planning has an inflatable/wavy sign for use in front of Ritchie Coliseum on the day of the event. The stage will be delivered Friday evening and picked up on Monday.

- i. Event Promotions  
Mrs. Araghi shared fliers with members of the Recreation Board. She asked that they make copies and distribute to local businesses.

Ms. Araghi indicated that she has made efforts to connect with WMUC staff but has not heard from them. She hopes to see them at College Park Day on September 27<sup>th</sup>.

Ms. Araghi requested that the College Park Blues Festival banner be updated for display at other community events prior to hanging it across Rhode Island Avenue. Ms. Fletcher agreed to contact Deputy Public Works Director, Brenda Alexander to change the date and have it ready for Ms. Araghi.

Ms. Araghi noted that the electronic sign erected by UMPD did not provide clear directions for turning into Festival related parking. She has asked that it be placed closer to Rossborough Lane/Ritchie Coliseum.

Diamondback staff contacted Ms. Araghi to place advertisements for the Festival. She offered to exchange free advertising in trade for free vending/display tables at the event, but they were not interested.

New Board member, Mr. Grims stated that he works for the Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center and will check to see if there are any related clubs that can help promote the event. be a Blues Club that can help promote the event.

ii. Hearing Protection

Ms. Fletcher will have a sign created to inform guests that hearing protection will be available at the information table. Ms. Fletcher will order a supply of ear plugs for the event that will be available for guests at the event.

**VI. Board Vacancies – suggest/recruit replacements**

There are vacancies in Council Districts Two, Three and Four.

Mr. Grims reported that he had previously made travel plans prior to his appointment to the Board and would not attend the October and December meetings.

**VII. New/Other Business – suggestions, new ideas, comments**

College Park Day is September 27<sup>th</sup> and the City will have a calendar of events at the table.

**VIII. Approval of August 4, 2014 Minutes**

As there was no quorum at the opening of the meeting, Mrs. Pianowski moved to approve the minutes of the August 2014 meeting. Ms. Oarr seconded the motion.

All were in favor. **The motion passed 3-0-2** (Mr. Grims and Ms. Ellis both abstained)

**IX. Treasurer's Report for August 2014 – No Changes per Email from Mr. Bradford**

As there was no quorum at the opening of the meeting Ms. Oarr moved to approve the Treasurer's Report for August 2014. Mrs. Pianowski seconded the motion.

All were in favor. **The motion passed 5-0-0**

**X. Next Meeting Date:** October 6, 2014

**XI. Adjournment**

Ms. Oarr motioned to adjourn. Mr. Grims seconded the motion.

All were in favor. **The motion passed 5-0-0**

**The Meeting adjourned at 7:07 p.m.**

**Minutes prepared by: Julie Beavers, Contract Secretary**