

# Sports Commission Meeting Minutes

Thursday, January 24, 2019

Langston-Brown CC, Senior Room

Time: 7:00-9:00 PM

## **Commission Members Present:**

Shirley Brothwell, Chair  
George Thompson  
John Bacon  
Corey Simples  
Dave Maher

Justin Wilt, Vice-Chair  
Steve Severn  
Drew Murray  
Jessica Paska

## **Commission Members Absent:**

Janet Eichers  
Matthey Galan  
Sherry Kohan  
David Tornquist

## **County/APS Staff:**

Greg Anselene, SC Liaison

Deb DeFranco, APS

## **Guests**

Steve Finn, PRC liaison  
Peter Lusk, Athletic and Facility Services Div Chief

Please note: Agenda items may not be in chronological order.

## *Approval of Past Meeting Minutes*

## *New Business*

### Long Bridge Aquatic Center Fees Update

[7:10-7:30pm]

Peter Lusk, Athletic and Facility Services Division Chief presented an updated on the Long Bridge Aquatic Center fees.

- The presentation reviewed the 4 objectives of the working group, history of their meetings and the process into how recommendations were formed and what the final recommendations were.
- The next steps are hoping to be able to advertise in February and get approval in April. Once approved, pre-sales will begin.

## Girls on the Run Update

[7:30-7:40pm]

Jessica Paska provided an update on the Girls on the Run and indicated they were looking at doing something in the Fall (so there is still time to discuss). Discussed concerns about the fees for the program. GOTR was hoping the SC could help it find sponsors to cover the costs at whatever school they expand to, but this is not something the SC gets involved in. Jessica will talk to them again.

## Chairman's Update/Discussion of POPS Letter

[7:40-8:05pm]

- Justin Wilt- Vice Chair shared that POPS schedule and the Request to Advertise (RTA) has been pushed back a month.
- DPR is incorporating tweaks after receiving responses on the final draft
- Discussed status of the CivFed Resolution to move the athletic fields out of the document (passed by a large margin).
- Discussed SC belief that LOS should be the same approach for all amenities; fields should not be treated differently.
- Chair gave an update on the outreach that she has done to get a better sense for how the SC can help move the PSMP across the finish line
- Shirley shared a Field Use Data and Analysis plan for review; others have seen this and there has been some interest in this plan.
- Discussed what to include in the SC letter on the PSMP
- With RTA vote in March Justin Wilt indicated that they still need support from Sports groups and to continue to have them do outreach to the Board.
- Shirley shared that fields groups met and discussed a petition for support of passing the POPS plan as-is.

## Prepare Annual Report

[8:05 – 8:20pm]

Review of the draft annual report

- Shirley called for comments and specifically on comments of page 3
- Shirley shared background on SC efforts to be represented on the PFRC and get included in projects that affect sports; discussed best way to indicate the frustration in the letter
- Question was brought up about including Gunston diamond field as a 2018 project.
- Discussed future format of report; SC's is long because it follows Board guidance but others groups do not.
- Discussed the P&R Commission and the Bill Thomas Award. Should the Sports Commission do something similar?
- In the past the SC has considered honoring Volunteers in Sports.

## Diamond Field Fund Projects

[8:20-8:35pm]

Steve Severn, of the Diamond Field Fund Committee provided an update on the committee and upcoming projects.

- Field Fund Financial Update- After commitments of \$190,000 for Gunston Synthetic Turf project they have a projected balance of \$144,418.
- Provided a review of the Storage Building at Greenbrier Park. That project was completed March, 2018 and occupied April, 2018
- Review of plan for concrete pad for Greenbrier #2 Batting Cage- original plan was \$10,000, however due to the concern of water runoff on the field the contractor suggested installing retaining wall to mitigate runoff.
- DFF Committee is making proposal to the Sports Commission for an enlargement of the project, scope and budget to \$30,00. This project will be similar to the cages at Tuckahoe Park, and includes replacing netting and support structure, adding synthetic turf and matting substrate as well as mitigating water runoff to field with retaining wall and drainage.
- Sports Commission Voted for approval and passed unanimously 9-0 with 4 absent

## Annual Work-Plan

[8:35-9:05pm]

Review and development of Annual Work-Plan for 2019

- Shirley Brothwell reviewed annual plan, layout and structure.
- Discussed getting briefing from DPR and user groups and dedicating a process to field scheduling, creating a field criteria rating system- set up of a working group
  - Some steps were taken with AYBA
  - What is the hope, should it be a marching order for DPR?
- Review of DPR field maintenance, mowing etc.
- Briefing on indoor space, future of a multiuse athletic center
- Review of indoor space, how does DPR and APS communicate, different systems,
- What do meetings look like for the year?
- Need someone from SC to champion underserved youth program to be able to move forward
  - Discussion of troubles in the past
  - How to make programming for underserved sustainable
- Network
  - Improvements from previous years, much more collaboration with Parks and Recreation Commission
  - Discussed interests in working to develop relations with E2C2

Meeting ends 9:05pm

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Matt de Ferranti County Board Liaison

Attest:

*Greg Anselene*

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Greg Anselene, Staff Liaison