

**GOLDEN GATE COMMUNITY CENTER ADVISORY BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
06/03/2019**

Advisory Board Members Present:

Ms. Kaydee Tuff, Chairman

Ms. Ernie Bretzmann - Advisory Board Member

Ms. Cecelia Zenti - Advisory Board Member

Absent: Mr. Bill Arthur – Advisory Board Member

Also Present:

Ms. Vickie Wilson, Supervisor, Golden Gate Community Center

I. Call to Order:

Ms. Tuff called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

II. Attendance/Establish a Quorum

Roll call was taken, with a quorum established.

III. Approval of Agenda

No formal agenda was available for the meeting.

IV. Approval of Minutes – April 1, 2019

Ms. Zenti entered a motion to approve the April 1, 2019 meeting minutes. Mr. Bretzmann seconded the motion. All were in favor. The motion was carried.

V. Public Comments

There were no members of the public present at the meeting.

VI. Old Business

A. Teen Center Update: Ms. Wilson stated that Advisory Board member observations, comments and suggestions regarding the Teen Center which had been discussed with Mr. Pietro Ricci at the April 2019 meeting had been shared with members of upper management, however, with no further action taken since this time. Tables, chairs, and two pool tables have already been purchased for use by summer campers. Ms. Tuff noted that the summer months were an ideal time to meet with school principals for feedback on the Teen Center. Mr. Bretzmann reiterated the importance of inclusion of middle school aged children in planning of the Teen Center due to the lack of after school activities for that age group. Ms. Tuff noted that the Community Center overall would benefit from the exposure of middle school aged children to the many programs offered at the park. Possible weekend passes to the Teen Center for deserving students was discussed. There was an acknowledgement of the challenges presented by the middle school age group, however with recognition of the excellent mentoring opportunity in a supervised and safe environment. Ms. Wilson noted that she would be absent from the July 2019 Advisory Board meeting; however, would arrange for Mr. Ricci to be present at the meeting in order to provide an update on the Teen Center.

B. Procurement: Ms. Wilson stated that she will ask a staff member from Procurement to attend the July 2019 Advisory Board meeting to discuss the \$1,000 line item minimum policy currently in place for purchasing. Mr. Bretzmann suggested the ability to bundle Community Center purchases in order to meet or exceed the \$1,000 threshold for capital projects.

C. Preschool Prom Update: Ms. Wilson reported that a successful Preschool Prom had been held on May 3, 2019 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., with 150 total participants.

VII. New Business

A. Wheels Facility: Painting of the Wheels Facility exterior will begin on June 10, 2019. The paint color was discussed, with two shades of green having been chosen by consensus of the Community Center staff. The color green was thought best to hold up to possible graffiti. The Advisory Board expressed an interest in participation in choosing the paint color prior to the expenditure, as well as ensuring that the appropriate type of paint was purchased. Ms. Wilson stated that if the paint has not been purchased, color options would be shared with Board members for input.

B. Summer Camp: June 1, 2019 was the first day of summer camp, consisting of approximately 90% elementary age children, as well as 40 middle school age children, with a good staff of counselors on board. It was noted that “open gym” time is limited for non-campers due to the current summer camp activities. The former midnight basketball program was briefly discussed as an option, but which would require participation by the Sheriff’s office. Weekly field trips are scheduled for campers and include two trips each to Sun-n-Fun Lagoon, movies, bowling, and a trip to the Naples Zoo.

VIII. Member/Staff Comments

+Ms. Zenti inquired whether Bone Builders would continue to be offered at the Community Center. Ms. Wilson stated that Bone Builders would start back up on the second Tuesday in September 2019. Rosa will continue as the instructor, with a possibility of a second certified Bone Builders instructor joining her.

+Ms. Zenti shared feedback that she had received from parents regarding safety concerns with the positioning of the rock climbing structure on the playground. It was felt to be too close in proximity to other structures, which was concerning in the event of a fall. A suggestion was made to possibly add additional rubber padding in that area. Ms. Tuff noted that an inspection of the playground was necessary to be proactive and not reactionary to a potential accident. Ms. Wilson stated that the installers of the playground had differentiated structures for use by different age groups, however, it was noted by Ms. Wilson that it was likely that children of all ages would be using all the equipment. The playground was set up for use as a parkour/obstacle course and warning signs advising appropriate age for use were in place. Ms. Tuff suggested investigating the cost of additional warning sign placement, possibly at gate entrances to the playground. Ms. Wilson stated that no complaints have been received to date and no playground accidents have been reported. It was further noted that the ground material used for the new playground was vastly improved over the previous rubber material, which was harder and much hotter in the summer months.