

GOLDEN GATE COMMUNITY CENTER ADVISORY BOARD (GGCCAB)

MEETING MINUTES

12/04/2023

ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

KAYDEE TUFF, BOARD CHAIR

ERNIE BRETZMANN, ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER

WILLIE BRICE, ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER

LIZETTE HOMAR-RAMOS, ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER

ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS NOT PRESENT:

CECILIA ZENTI, ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER

ALSO PRESENT:

JAMES HANRAHAN, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR – PARKS & RECREATION

SAID GOMEZ, INTERIM REGIONAL MANAGER, REGION 2 – PARKS & RECREATION

RAY CORIANO, GGCC SUPERVISOR – PARKS & RECREATION

MARIAH BOSETTI, GGCC TRANSCRIPTIONIST – PARKS & RECREATION

NICK LUVIANO, GGCC PROGRAM LEADER – PARKS & RECREATION

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC:

CONSTANCE BETTINGER, BOARD MEMBER APPLICANT

ANGELA RICHBURG, BOARD MEMBER APPLICANT

RUTH ORIS, BOARD MEMBER APPLICANT

I. Call to Order

Ms. Tuff called the Meeting to order at 6:01 PM.

II. Attendance/Establish a Quorum

Roll Call was taken, Ms. Zenti was not present. A quorum was established.

III. Approval of Agenda

Ms. Tuff called for a motion to approve the Meeting Agenda, Mr. Bretzmann entered the motion, it was seconded by Ms. Homar-Ramos. All members that were present were in favor. The motion was carried.

IV. Approval of Minutes – November 6th, 2023

Ms. Tuff called for a motion to approve the Meeting Minutes from November 6th, 2023. Mr. Bretzmann entered the motion, it was seconded by Ms. Homar-Ramos. All members that were present were in favor. The motion was carried.

V. Public Comments

Introduction of New Applicants

Mr. Coriano introduced the applicants.

-CONSTANCE BETTINGER, BOARD MEMBER (APPLICANT)

-ANGELA RICHBURG, BOARD MEMBER (APPLICANT)

-RUTH ORIS, BOARD MEMBER APPLICANT (Prospective-APPLICANT)

Mr. Coriano thanked Mr. Bretzmann and Ms. Zenti for their service on the Board. Both of their terms are over, which leaves two positions open on the Board.

Mr. Brice brought up that the 1st Monday in January is a holiday. The Board discussed which dates they all might be available during the month of January, and finally, based on majority request Ms. Tuff suggested that they would have to miss the meeting for January. Ms. Tuff called for a motion to forgo the meeting in January 2024 since it will also give the opportunity to submit the new applicant's name to the County. Mr. Brice entered the motion; it was seconded by Ms. Tuff. All members that were present were in favor. The motion was carried.

VI. Monthly Budget Report

a.) FY 2024 Budget Amended: \$522,400.00

b.) Revenues

1. FY 2024: \$892,200.00

2. Actual Monthly Report: \$187,499.14

Mr. Coriano stated that a large part of that Revenue was from the Ad Valorem, which was applied in that month. We also did a great job with our recreational camps and our facility rentals for that month.

c.) Expenses:

1. **FY 2024: \$703,300.00**

2. **Actual Monthly Report: \$14,039.79**

Mr. Coriano stated that last month we were working on our Halloween event, now we are shifting gears into our Winter/Christmas time. For last month we were at 23% for Revenue and 66% for Expenses on the consumption rate.

VII. **Community Center & Wheels Park Facilities Updates**

a.) **Community Center:**

1. **Field Gazebo – painting & staining.** Mr. Coriano spoke with Chris Cousins, at Facilities: Work Order is established; we are “next project in line.”

2. **The commercial refrigerator in the main kitchen will be removed from Asset Inventory.** Mr. Coriano stated that we got the green light to purchase the fridge(s), the only issue that we have is the removal of the commercial fridge from our Asset Inventory. We can't get the new fridge(s) until we remove the old one because we don't have the space for both. Hopefully we will know by the next meeting.

3. **Marquee's lights are out;** a contractor (Hart's) will trouble shoot the issue.

4. **The light post in the mid-section of parking lot is tilted.** Hart's will also trouble shoot and fix when they come out for the marquee.

5. **Restroom floors are still listed for renovations; the Budget was approved.**

Mr. Coriano stated that we do have two contractors that we are trying to get quotes from. The Board should be involved in the selection of the flooring.

Mr. Gomez suggested epoxy flooring would probably be recommended, or larger floor tiles. Epoxy will go over everything & would probably work best, with the foot traffic that we have, but the tiles are more traditional / more aesthetically pleasing. Also, tiles would be more expensive with labor and material costs. Mr. Brice stated that the wear and tear with the foot traffic at the Center, would be more important than aesthetics. Ms. Tuff stated that they would like to see the options.

6. **Main Lobby Hallway Gate: Still in the process of looking for additional contractors/quotes for replacement.** Mr. Coriano stated that they had some contractors come out. The pricing & the actual build were not what we had planned for.

7. **Gym & Stage Floors**

Mr. Coriano stated that they had gotten a quote of about \$85,000 for a similar, but better textured floor. Time frame for the project could be estimated at 4 – 6 weeks. The best time to schedule the work would be during the transition time of the end of Summer Camp and before Fall programs start. The only possible issue is it would come at the end of the Fiscal Year.

b.) Wheels Skate & BMX Park:

1. **The final phase of renovations for the Skate Park has been approved and a Purchase Order established.** Ramp Doctor's will come out and finish with the final phase for the new look for the park. Ms. Tuff asked if there was going to be a Grand Reopening Ceremony. Mr. Coriano stated a small event will be planned for opening day. Ms. Tuff asked that the Board be notified so that they can plan on attending.
2. **Observation Tower Tarp Replacement**
Mr. Coriano stated that we were still trying to find a contractor to give a reasonable price quote for it.
3. **Maintenance preparations for the BMX Qualifier**
Mr. Coriano stated this would defer this item to New Business.

VIII. Old Business

a.) Budget Reserve

Mr. Coriano stated Mr. Gomez did a great job gathering information for us on the status of the budget reserve. Mr. Gomez stated there is a substantial amount of money in the reserve which will help in the completion of several projects. Mr. Coriano stated that Ms. Edwards wants us to get these quotes so that she can make a one-time request to the BOCC in utilizing this reserve. Mr. Gomez wanted to confirm with the Board the priority listing of projects for the Center. We currently have: (1) Gym floor; (2) Restrooms; & (3) the Gate. He asked the Board Member to review the prioritized "wish list" and provide any other inputs by the next scheduled meeting. Mr. Brice stated that Board Members should email Mr. Coriano with their list.

b.) Winter/Spring Programs & Events

Mr. Coriano stated that all the programs are all entered into Active Net, and ready to go.

IX. New Business

a.) Carnival & Winter Celebration Event

Carnival - Mr. Coriano stated that Mr. Carr, Carnival Owner, did a better job this year with their set up. Inspections were completed on time, they did a better job picking up trash, and everything they moved was put back. Mr. Coriano stated Mr. Carr was very disappointed with the low number of attendants and that he doesn't like the idea of not being included in the Snowfest event. Mr. Carr is supposed to give his P.O.S. Report to Jennifer Zyrin in Operations so that we can receive a total revenue report.

Mr. Hanrahan stated that Mr. Carr wouldn't have gotten everything done if it hadn't been for the assistance Mr. Coriano and Mr. Gomez provided to him since day one! It was explained to Mr. Carr the directive of the carnival to remain here at the Center came from the Board of Commissioners.

Winter Celebration - Mr. Coriano reported the Community Staff did a great job in decorating the Auditorium and Room C. Ms. Bettinger and her partner were here as Santa again this year. We had just over 200 people in attendance for our event, which we were happy with considering the carnival was using the entire parking lot. For next year we are thinking of changing the scheduling of the Winter Celebration to perhaps later in the month.

b.) Wheels Skate & BMX (State Qualifier on March 8th -10th)

Mr. Coriano stated that as of right now the BMX State Qualifier is set to run March 8th-10th. Typically, we count between 2,000 and 3,000 people per day on Saturday and Sunday, with less people on Friday, which is a practice day. We still have to verify a few things, but that's what we're planning for.

Mr. Coriano wanted to introduce his Wheels Program Leader, Nick Luviano, and give him the opportunity to talk a little bit about the State Qualifier, and what he does.

Mr. Luviano described the general day-to-day operations of the Wheels Skate & BMX Park. The Park operates 7 days a week, with Mondays and Wednesdays being BMX practice and race nights. The fees are relatively low: \$5/day or year memberships at \$10/year for minors and \$20/year for adults. For the BMX track, riders need long sleeve shirt, long pants, and full-face helmet. We make safety our # 1 priority there. He also stated the Skate Park is still under renovation and starting in February the final phase of renovations will begin.

Wheels holds BMX clinics on Saturdays and thanks to the help of Mario Lopez, the Pro-BMX Rider that we have as an instructor, we can maintain a good number of participants for our program. Trevor Huey, our Park Assistant, runs most of the Skate Camps and Late Skates that we have.

X. Member Comments

Ms. Homar-Ramos asked if the tree in the courtyard was going to be decorated for Christmas. Mr. Coriano stated that we couldn't because the tree has a mold issue. Due to the condition of the tree, there is a possibility that the foyer might get repaved because of issues from the roots of the tree.

Mr. Brice reminded all Board Members to email their priority list for renovations to Mr. Coriano as soon as possible.

Ms. Tuff stated that Public Service is a thankless duty, but she wanted to thank Mr. Bretzmann for his service on the Board & wish him all the best.

Mr. Bretzmann stated that it has been a pleasure and an honor to serve over the years & he feels comfortable stepping back from the Board with the leadership and staff at the Center.

XI. Adjournment

With no further topics for discussion, Ms. Tuff called for a motion to adjourn the Meeting. Mr. Bretzmann entered the motion, Ms. Tuff seconded the motion, and all agreed. The Meeting was adjourned at 7:41PM.

Golden Gate Community Center Advisory Board



Kaydee Tuff, Chairman

These minutes approved by the Board on 2/5/2024 as presented,
or as amended _____.

Next Meeting, February 5th, 2023, at 6:00PM

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