



Addison Park District
Citizens Advisory Committee
April 9, 2009
Minutes

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) Meeting of the Addison Park District was called to order at 7:08 p.m. by Committee Chair Sheri D'Ambrose on April 9, 2009 at Club Fitness, 1776 West Centennial Place, Addison, DuPage County, Illinois.

2. ROLL CALL

Those in attendance were committee members, Chris Kasper, Thomas Tovelto, Virginia Hardenbrook, Joanna Terry, Sheri D'Ambrose, Michael Walaszek and Darlene Schnidt. Absent were Oscar Olivia, John Cannata and Francesca Orsi.

3. CHANGE IN AGENDA

None

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chris Kasper approved, second by Tom Tovelto

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

6. COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

None

7. DARLENE SCHNIDT – ADULT SERVICES COORDINATOR

Adult Services Coordinator, Darlene Schnidt and CAC member Virginia Hardenbrook made a power point presentation to the committee on the purpose, benefits and activities the Active Adult and Senior Club are involved in. The presentation covered a wide variety of areas including the difference between the two groups, what they have done and what they are planning to do in the near future. Some of the activities include a senior spelling bee (June 4), hosted by Senator Carol Pankau, newly formed Knitting Club, men's card groups, movie days, card shark, trips, etc. Darlene also informed the committee that the senior club hosts over 200 members each week at the CRC. The group is a great way to make new friends and have fun.

The Senior Club/Active Adult group also hosts a number of volunteer opportunities, including Meals on Wheels, that services Dupage County residents. More than 1,500 volunteers take part in this program. The seniors also volunteer to the park district in a number of areas, including programs and events.

The committee discussed a number of other possible opportunities to get the community and seniors to interact. The committee recommended that the park district and ATHS partner to get

the students involved with seniors. This may include a pairing party to get the students paired with the seniors.

The CAC suggested that the knitting club share their products with the high school and possibly get them involved in the program. It was also suggested that a voting day be organized to transport seniors to voting location during the elections.

Darlene will look into offering these opportunities as part of the senior programs.

8. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

The committee changed the June 11 meeting to June 4 at 7:00 p.m. to be held at the Community Rec Center.

It was pointed out that the high school could donate coffee mugs to the senior club to help with their green program.

It was recommended by the committee to place information, on events and program, in the locker rooms at Club Fitness.

The committee changed the November 12 meeting to Addison Trail High School. Addison Trail High School student council will be invited to speak at the meeting.

9. STAFF REPORTS

Michael Walaszek reported that the park district will be hosting its 40th anniversary celebration on Saturday, April 25 at 5:00 p.m. at the Centennial Rec Center gym. All residents are invited to this free event which will include inflatable for the kids, music, food, entertainment and much more.

10. NEXT MEETING

Thursday, May 14, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. at Links & Tees Golf Facility. Tour of facility at 6:30 followed by meeting at 7:00 p.m. The Addison Swim & Dive Team will be present.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Sheri D'Ambrose adjourned the meeting at 8:08 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted By,
Michael Walaszek