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Board of Directors Agenda

Thursday, August 10th, 2017

Bangor Parks & Recreation, 647 Main Street, Bangor

Conference Call Dial in Number: **641-715-0861**

Participant Access Code: 633838#

10:00 am – 12:00 pm Board Meeting

1. Call To Order - 10:08 a.m.

Balboni

Present: Steve Balboni, Tracy Willette, Linda Brooks, Debbie Gendreau, Hillary Hallett, Karyn MacNeill
Jason Hanken, Andy Kaherl, Matt Tobin, Deb Smith

On phone: Doug Beck

Excused: Russell Packett, Jen DeRice, Denise LeBlanc

2. Review/Accept Minutes of July 20th, 2017 Moved and seconded -Willette, Hallett

3. Accept Budget Report Packett
Updated report sent from Russell - (Willette, Kaherl)

4. Board Development

- a. Young/Future Professional Network Willette/Kaherl

Andy reviewed vision, mission and goals for this network; provided Board with an outline of how this would be accomplished; Discussion followed about how this Board can promote this program; Deb suggested our involvement should include a mentoring piece; Discussed the short-term goal would be to develop a mentoring program for 3 possible scenarios: a graduating college senior ready to enter the profession; a brand new hire or a rising professional. Discussed methods for outreach: 1- Regional meetings held at colleges with student involvement facilitated by faculty member; 2- Board meetings held at local colleges with a presentation about profession, (include time in board agenda for this presentation). Create mentoring program – develop a fillable form or e-mail request sent by regional representatives to inquire who wants to be a mentor and who wants to be mentored. Steve suggested this could be done within two weeks, and then passed on to the reps. Target of Fall Workshop – all reps should have been able to have recruited mentors and this can be announced at Workshop; by November, we can begin recruiting mentees. Deb G will put together Power Point presentation for promoting the profession and the association.

- b. In October – next topic for board development: Tracy raised possibility of Turf Management discussion based on Matt’s previous recommendation; Steve suggested that the next topic should be improving existing programs; Andy questioned whether there are ideas of additional programs that we could pursue

5. Board Discussion

- a. Pitch Hit & Run Video
- b. Kansas & Michigan, Philadelphia PSA - Deb Smith shared PSA videos for our review; will share links; Steve suggested PSA for our organization should be focus of January – February meetings
- c. State Parks joining MRPA – Deb discussed state parks becoming member of our association; Doug has contacts of two regional representatives that Deb S. can approach; Encourage involvement of state park managers; Doug suggested benefits of their involvement – i.e. Lifeguard Academy; Board agreed that this is a worthwhile venture- Karen suggested that the Spring Conference would be a good opportunity for them to come
- d. Future Professional idea for Conference – Deb S. shared an idea with our future professional students – a college picks a student for a showcase - allowed a 5-minute presentation to “sell themselves”; They then become a volunteer for the conference; Board agrees it is good idea to explore – Deb G suggests we float the idea at the SJC meeting

6. Committee Reports

- a. Executive Director Report (Attached) Smith

- b. Membership – Smith
 - i. Deb asking for additional information from local communities
 - c. Fall Workshop Welch
 - i. Registration is open on website; All sessions are set; We have \$1100 in sponsorship (same as in past); Hotel to be Residence Inn and new caterer in place; Night before will be out to dinner and socializing – MRPA meeting during the day
 - d. Annual Conference MacNeill
 - i. Good meeting on August 3rd; Has a good group of interested and committed members; Working on rearranging the schedule for Monday – some vendors may be there on Sunday for the evening event; All vendor interactions will be kept on Monday only; Some slight changes to the over-all schedule intended to keep people interacting with vendors ; New and innovative program sessions – Karyn looking for anyone to submit session ideas
 - e. Awards Willette
 - i. No report – committee returning
 - f. Golf Tournament Balboni
 - i. Sponsors and teams are lower; Steve asking for others to reach out for sponsors and team involvements; Steve asking for someone else to step up to run tournament next year
 - g. Hot Shot Kaherl/Hallett
 - i. Nothing to report; Andy and Hillary will be looking at handbook
 - h. Track & Field Bouchard/Baude/Hallett
 - i. No report
 - i. Pitch Hit & Run Stewart
 - i. No report
 - j. Scholarships Packett
 - i. No requests at this time
 - k. Tickets Harris
 - i. No winter tickets this year – numbers are too low compared to summer tickets; Deb G reported their summer sales is down; Tracy wondering how it compares to last year’s sales and what that may mean
 - l. Students Kaherl
 - i. Nothing additional to report – time to reach out to students will be coming soon
7. New/Other Business Board
- i. Steve explained e-mail from Maine Sports Commission about uploading our events onto that website; Steve put our golf tournament on that site
 - ii. Deb S shared playground inspection of list of those certified in this state; they can make recommendations to eliminate risk, but cannot certify any playground
 - iii. Suggested Maine School Management Association as a potential resource
 - iv. Deb S shared that she is having a conversation with people in Ellsworth to help establish a recreation department in their organization
 - v. Deb S asked for some folks to remain after the meeting to discuss partnerships after the Board meeting
 - vi. Deb S shared that she is retiring from South Portland in December of 2017 and will becoming executive director of MAPHERD – will still work with both organizations
8. Adjourn (Willette, Gendreau) – 12:10 p.m.

Next Meeting September 14th St. Joseph’s College - 10a