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Board of Directors Agenda

Thursday, April 11, 2019

Bangor Parks and Recreation, 647 Main Street, Bangor, ME

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

Participant Access Code: 633838#

10:00 am – 12:00pm Board Meeting

Meeting called to order at 10:02 by President Willette

Attending: Debbie Gendreau, Jen DeRice, Doug Beck, Lisa Thompson, Nicole Welch, Hillary Hallett, Joe Crocker, Karyn MacNeill, Tracy Willette, Deb Smith

Absent: Steve Balboni, Matt Tobin, Sabrina Best, Jason Hanken

New Board members Present: Tyler Stewart, Erika Dube

2. **Review/accept minutes of February 14, 2019:** Motion by DeRice/2nd by Thompson – passed

3. **Monthly Budget report** – Joe C. – Deb asked Joe to follow up with Viek Associates about taxes

4. **Board discussion:**

a. Spring conference – Karyn reported and board discussed:

- discussion about exhibitor feedback
- Nicole Welch to become conference chair
- Deb and Nicole working on committee members
- Brady and Tyler to chair exhibitors for 2020
- Deb reported Samoset to refund \$800 to us because we met our food & beverage amounts
- Tyler and Nicole spoke about building exhibitor relationships
- Need to make exhibit hall more interactive
- Lisa Thompson offered to help with evening entertainment
- Include a Parks track
- What other organizations can we invite to conference – Y's, American Camping
- Board agreed to have Deb finalize a 2021 contract with the Samoset
- Positive feedback about students at conference

b. Hampden Recreation Update –

- Tracy and Deb shared that a private company will be operating before/after school programming in Hampden schools
- Discussion about other programs in communities providing B/A care
- Legislative proposal – An Act to Promote High quality after school programs in public schools

c. Update of MRPA support initiatives

- Tracy reported benefits of MMA, online training, job postings, legal advice, insurance, legislative bulletin, training modules
- Trail letter that MRPA signed on to, Op-ed in Bangor Daily News re: LWCF thank you to Maine's legislative delegation, and advocating for trail money

5. **Committee Reports:**

a & b. ED Report

- Deb has met with Karyn, Nicole and Brady to debrief 2019 conference

- MRPA offering playground maintenance workshop in Bangor and Yarmouth today and tomorrow
 - Karyn, Jen, Tracy and Deb to meet with Western Maine directors on April 26, 2019
- c. Membership – no report
 - d. Legislative – LWCF work continues
 - e. Awards – no report
 - f. Bonneyman Golf Tourney – Deb reported that Steve has opened registration and looking a lead sponsor
 - g. Fall conference – need a chair for this conference – Nicole and Deb working on getting members to serve on this committee
 - h. Hotshot – Deb reported that she has met with Red Claws and they would still be interested in sponsorship of this event even if it becomes a northern Maine event.

MOTION TO DISCONTINUE TO OFFER HOT SHOT AS AN MRPA PROGRAM – made by DeRice and 2nd by Thompson. Motion failed: 4 yes /1 opposed/2 abstained

- i. Track and Field – state meet in Bangor on July 16 – need board members to volunteer
- j. Pitch Hit and Run – Tyler reported numbers may be lower this year
- k. Ticket program – ask Kate to check with YWK and Aquaboggan about the rack card for this summer
- l. Students – thanks Lisa for coordinating students at conference
- m. NNE Conference – Red Jacket Inn , January 6-9, 2020, Maine is hosting
- n. SCORP update – Tracy and Doug offered updates – need to get the word out to get more people to complete the survey
- o. NMCRA update – no report
- p. EMPRA update – last meeting was one of their biggest turnouts – had speaker from Dept. of Labor
- q. SMART – next meeting in Auburn on May 14

6. New/other business

- a. Deb reported that she received an email from Cape Community Services and they will not Be coordinating the travel basketball league
- b. Upcoming MRPA meetings
 - May 9, 2019 – Yarmouth
 - June 13 – Lewiston
 - July – no date or location at this time

Motion to adjourn made by DeRice/2nd by Hallet at 12:13 pm – motion passed

Minutes taken by Deb Smith
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