

THE MAINE NILES ASSOCIATION OF SPECIAL RECREATION  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
August 3, 2015

APPROVED MINUTES

Gayle Mountcastle called the August 3, 2015 meeting to order at 10:00 AM. In attendance were John Jekot, Golf-Maine, Dan Staackman, Morton Grove, Michelle Tuft, Skokie, Jan Hincapie, Lincolnwood, Gayle Mountcastle, Park Ridge, Tom Elenz, Niles. Absent : Don Miletic, Des Plaines. Staff in attendance: Jennifer Gebeck, Jean Gross, and Peggy Wilson.

A motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Jan Hincapie and seconded by Tom Elenz. This passed in a roll call vote as follows: Golf-Maine – yes, Morton Grove – yes, Lincolnwood – yes, Skokie – yes, Park Ridge – yes, – Niles, - yes. Absent: Des Plaines. The consent agenda consisted of: Minutes of the June 1, 2015 board meeting; Executive Session Minutes of June 1, 2015 board meeting; Treasurers report for the months ending May 31, 2015 and June 30, 2015; Voucher list of bills presented for the August 3, 2015 board meeting in the amount of \$305,655.17

Executive Director Bear reviewed the program report. Updates were given in each program area. Bear discussed the Spring 2015 program numbers. The Leisure Education program was discussed. Bear stated that the agency has seen a drop in registration numbers due to budget cuts in the local school districts. Board member Staackman offered to reach out to the schools via written correspondence to convey the importance of this program.

Public Information Manager Barbara Saunders reports that the Fall brochure is complete and has been mailed to families and distributed to local schools.

Development Officer Peggy Wilson reports highlights a grant received from the Chicago Board of Trade in the amount of \$5000. Also, Wilson working with Business Manager Jean Gross has implemented Network for Good on the agency website. This is an online giving vehicle.

The board reviewed the budget report by fund as of May 31, 2015 and June 30, 2015.

Director Bear reminded the board of directors she is available to provide a member district update to each member. Bear encouraged the board to set a time and date for a yearly visit.

The National Recreation and Park Association conference will take place the week of September 14<sup>th</sup>. Director Bear will be attending representing the agency.

An update regarding the LiPoni Foundation was given by Stella LiPomi. The annual mini golf fundraiser is scheduled for Wednesday, August 12. This event will be held in Skokie.

Director Bear gave an update pertaining to the PDRMA Health program. She stated that PDRMA staff would be meeting individually with an agency representative to review and discuss the agency's benefits strategy sometime during the month of September. Bear will set up a meeting and gather the information that PDRMA is proposing. Bear will share the information with the board once it is obtained.

The board reviewed the 2014 fiscal year audit that was initially presented in June of 2015. A motion to approve the 2014 fiscal year audit was made by Jan Hincapie and seconded by Tom Elenz. This passed in a roll call vote as follows: Morton Grove – Yes, Lincolnwood – Yes, Skokie, - Yes, Golf-Maine, - Yes, Park Ridge, - Yes, Niles, - Yes. Absent: Des Plaines.

Director Bear discussed the program “Healthy Bodies, Healthy Minds,” a fitness program geared towards veterans. Bear offered to present a power point presentation which would give more details. The board thought this was a good idea and Bear stated it would be available for a Fall presentation.

The board was updated on the status of the sensory room that will be developed at the Des Plaines Park District.

A motion was made at 10:54AM by Jan Hincapie and seconded by John Jekot to adjourn the regular August 3, 2015 board of directors meeting. This passed in a voice vote.

Respectfully submitted

Stella LiPomi