

JOPPATOWNE RECREATION COUNCIL
GENERAL MEETING
April 28, 2008

The meeting was called to order at 7:17 pm at JHS. All board members were present except Wayne Ivusich. The Volleyball and Family swim programs were not present.

The Secretary's Report for March was distributed to all programs prior to tonight's meeting. The minutes were sent out by Susan. The minutes were accepted as written.

The Treasurer's Report was given by Cathy. We have a current balance of \$221,990.69. Reports for all programs are in the box that Cathy brought with her. Everyone please check their registration report. If you have a shaded gray area, your registration numbers and money do not match. Please fix this. When your program elects a new board, make sure that new board members are aware of all of JRC's cash policies. If your program has in-house teams and travel teams, they will now be kept as separate accounts. Cathy will now be handling the bad checks. She will still let the programs know when they have bad checks and ask for them to help collect. Between 2001-2008, JRC had \$33,000 in bad checks written to them. We have only collected \$3,500 of that. Harford County has a program for collecting on bad checks. To use the program, we must get a photo ID and license number on every check! (Even if you have known the person for years) Cathy will send a certified letter to the bad check writer and give them 10 days to repay. After that the check will be handed over to the bad check program. First time offenders will have to attend educational seminars. Second time offenders will be handed to the state for prosecution. The group ABOOMA made a presentation to Tim about a credit card/registration service that they provide. Tim has tried to contact them again but has not yet heard back from them. Hazel requested a committee be formed to look into the possibilities of credit card registration. Tonia McCloskey said that she knew of someone who represented Mid-Atlantic Processing. She will invite them to the next meeting. Tonia, McCloskey, Mark Maust, and John Murphy volunteered to work on the committee. They will report back in July. Danny Jahn said that he would get information from a Nextel dealer he knows about this subject. Rosters are still needed from the following programs: Baseball, Lacrosse, Track, Tae Kwon Do, Summer basketball, Extended Cheer, Family Swim and Women's fitness. Budgets are due by the June meeting. 3 deposit slips were put in Cathy's box over the weekend with no name. \$2042.14 in unidentified deposits was moved over to the general fund at this meeting. Recently, a PTO treasurer in Cecil County was found guilty of embezzlement and sentenced to a 6 month jail term. Please be careful and keep track of your deposits!

The staff report was given by Tim. The summer flyer is coming around for corrections and additions. Tim needs program reports ASAP. Facility requests are due by June 1st. Baseball's opening day was successful and the parade went well. Program cancellations are as follows: ALL SCHOOLS- May 26, Magnolia Middle School- May 13-15, May 6, 8, 30 and June 3 only the multipurpose room.

The President's report was given by Hazel If anyone would like to speak to Councilman Guthrie, please let him know how you feel about the parks and rec budget. The budget is in danger of being cut. Phase I of the Magnolia project will be fully funded. Adam Christ from Ripken Stadium is looking for 90ft fields for the Ripken World Series participants to practice on. If we can provide fields, it is possible that

Ripken will maintain the fields for the entire year. Mark Maust said that he would get in touch with him. The annual Parks and Rec dinner will be held on June 20th at 7:00pm. The Ma and Pa trail will be dedicated on June 7th. The trail begins at Winters Run and ends at Annie's playground. Hazel has seeding and sodding specs if anyone wants to take a look at them.

Program Reports

Golden Age- May 28th trip to Shady Maple Crab feast, Cape Cod in September?

Racquet Club- No ladies doubles this year, was going to begin tonight but rained out.

Indoor Tennis- Summer tennis to begin June 23rd, looking for participants

Tigersharks- Registration for stroke and turn is full, 46 participants, and summer swim so far has 34 registered swimmers, would like some raffle information from Cathy, 2 more registrations will be held in May

Adult Swim- winding down the season, need lifeguard for next year

Tae Kwon Do- 30 people registered, offering a buddy program and immediate family discount, Tim has been a big help getting this started, planning to hold a kick-a-thon to support the March of Dimes, first test will be Thursday for 20 people

Track- registration complete, 103 kids participating, first meet at John Carroll went well season officially begins this weekend at Randallstown High School

Basketball- Winter season done. There are 3 summer teams, 13 and under girls, 15 and under boys, and 16 and under boys. The 13 and under girls are AAU division 2 champs and are headed to Kingsport, TN to represent Maryland. They will be also going to Polk County, FL to compete as well. There will be a bull roast on June 13 to raise money for the girl's travel. The cost is \$40.00

Baseball/Softball- 1st registration was January 7, have over 350 kids, games began last week. Uniform handout was April 18 and 19. Shirts have the Joppatowne name on front this year. Opening Day was Saturday, had a nice turnout. Team pictures were taken, and contests were held. Celebree sponsored the T-ball contest. Bull roast Saturday night in Kingsville cost is \$40.00. Purchased new catcher's equipment for ages 9 and up and new Ts were purchased for T-ball. Thank you to Tim for getting a Port-a- john at JES. Joint travel team with Edgewood this year. 11-12 are 2-0 as well as 9-10. Sunday at Copenhaver will be a double header. Next weekend is the 1st round of the Overlea tournament.

Men's Softball- teams registered. Play Sunday mornings and evenings, and Monday evenings. Co-ed league on Sunday evenings.

Senior Softball- play Tuesdays and Thursdays at Magnolia Middle. Have 3 teams: over 50, over 55, and over 60

Badminton- 10-12, who plays regularly, will play until it is too hot in the gym to play

Football- 470+ kids registered, 18 teams, extra cheer squad this year, Meeting tomorrow to go over rosters, potential for a few openings, Copenhagen seeded, need to find practice space

Wrestling- out of season

Lacrosse- doing well, 165 kids, 3 out of 5 boy's teams has a winning record, 4 girl's teams, and 2 boys' 6-8 teams. Everyone in agreement that scheduling of games is done awfully late, parents need to voice their opinions and get involved for this to change. The two organizations in charge of scheduling, MYLA and Harco are not well organized

Competitive Swim (Hurricanes)- at the Laurel meet, had 12 1st first winners, the Hurricanes broke 4 out of the 5 records at that meet, at the North Carolina meet, 3 1st place winners, and 1 record broken, good season overall. Thank you to the custodial staff.

Soccer- registration begins next month.

Hazel feels good about all the programs present.

New Business

Requests for "hardships" registration has become a problem. We are only allotted a specific amount by the County each year. Dawn Beeghley suggested that those who request hardship must volunteer for community service hours. Football is going to be trying out this idea this year. We will look at their results and see if all programs will adopt this policy. JRC received a letter from the Garden Club asking for a donation to the beautification of the entrance to Joppatowne. A motion was made and seconded to donate \$500.00. The motion was passed. A reminder to all programs- CLEAN UP AFTER YOUR EVENTS!

The next general meeting will be July 28 at 7:00pm at JHS. The next board meeting will be May 28 at 6:00pm at Mariner Point Park. This is a change in the usual schedule due to the holiday.

The meeting adjourned at 9:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Bulavko