

Minutes of a Meeting
Of the
BROOKLYN RECREATION BOARD
January 18, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m. by Mary Albier.

Roll Called:

Alison Rafter	-	Present
Rebecca Byndas	-	Absent
Ryan Kelber	-	Absent
Robert Hennings	-	Present
Mary Albier	-	Present

Motion suspended to approve December 19, 2016 minutes due to not enough members present that were members in 2016. Mary Albier is new in 2017.

Manager Mrs. Maria McGinty gave the following report:

Letter to Public about changes

Maria did the letter last. The looming deficit. Maria sent it to the employees first to let them know. Maria read the letter. The 2 new schedules for the pool and the ice rink are included and will be high-lighted. The analysis of the swipes that people who entered the facility and our lowest times were 8:00-9:00 p.m. and 1:00-4:00 p.m. We are busy in the morning and then die down and then get busy again around 4:00 p.m. The employees cost the most and so we had a lot of lifeguards for the pool. We will re-open again in the summer. The pool will close all day on Sunday starting March 1, 2017. The ice rink will be canceled during the afternoon for Public Ice while the children are in school. The maintenance will be able to cut the grass and do the soccer fields during this shut down time and also work in the building. Mary Albier doesn't like the set-up here to get into the Recreation Center. It would cost a lot of money to change the entrances to two buildings. We are a recreation center to serve all ages. Alison talked about the changes we have done to improve enrollment. There aren't a lot of young people from Brooklyn hanging out here. Mary Albier suggested partnering with University Hospital or some other hospital to help people who need some kind of therapy. Andi Udris is working with University Hospital to come here.

Spring Soccer Flyer

The flyer is being sent out for Spring Soccer. We are trying to get a part-time program employee who runs all programs and also help manage at night instead of one person just running the soccer program. All of the youth programs and possible adult programs. We might still have Dan Gentile run the soccer program until we do get a new program employee. The travel leagues take from the recreation programs.

Baron Cup and Sectional/District Game Schedule

The hockey game schedule from February 6th – March 4th. We staff these games and sell tickets. Ryan Kelber runs the Baron Cup and we take the tickets. The State Tournament Ron Victor runs the Sectionals and Districts. We also have the concession workers. Mary Balbier wondered about community service and partner with the schools and volunteer here for their community service hours. Maybe some seniors might want to be a greeter here next year for the games. The concession stand doesn't make a big profit. We only use 1 concession worker. We only open during hockey games and special events and the summer hours.

Soza Ordinance

We will partner with Soza. They have all kind of classes. Cycling is a big draw now. Soza has the equipment and we have the room. Hot Yoga is the thing now and the upper balcony above the pool is very warm temperature. Ordinance on the next agenda. One reading.

Open Forum

Maria asked Mary Balbier since she is the new member her ideas. One of Mary's customers talked about partnering with a hospital. Mary wanted to use the grass out front. The Farmer's Market applications went out early. Generators are in their own trucks to use. We won't give the vendors our electricity. We have had a few inquiries and then we will be making phone calls. Monday is a better day. You need a draw and make it an event. Mary also asked about the idea with St. Ignatius and Memorial 1 ball diamond but that fell thru and not anything against us. They weren't comfortable with another lease agreement.

MOTION by Rafter, seconded by Hennings to adjourn at 7:37 p.m.

Vote resulted:

Yes-Rafter, Hennings, Balbier

No-None


Tina J. Westfall
Secretary


Board Member