

**GATEWAY SPECIAL RECREATION ASSOCIATION**

**BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING**

**9-14-2023**

- I. Call to Order:** Chairman Mike Contreras called the Gateway Special Recreation Association Board of Directors Meeting to order at 3:00 pm on 9-14-2023 at the Oak Brook Park District Family Recreation Center, 1450 Forest Gate Road in Oak Brook, Illinois. A Quorum was present.

*Roll Call:* Board Members present: Jim Pacanowski, Burr Ridge, Michele Sullivan, Countryside, Mike Hayes, Hinsdale, Mike Contreras, Oak Brook, Matt Russian, Pleasant Dale, Tom Yurkovich, Westchester Jeremy Fila, York Center, Sarah Lagesse, Elmhurst (arrived late)

*Absent:* Dustin Kleefisch, Willowbrook

*Ray Graham Staff:* Ryan Massengill

- II. Open Forum: None**

- III. Board Member Comments: None**

- IV. Communications:**

A. Letter from Community Member

- a. Ryan stated that there was a letter requesting a day program for Gateway. This letter was addressed to Ryan and the Board. She wanted to share the letter with us and explain that this parent has a couple of years until her child qualifies. The parents are trying to get the ball rolling ahead of time b/c she would like to see Gateway have their own day program.

- V. Approval of August 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes:**

A motion was made by Jim Pacanowski, Burr Ridge to approve the August 2023 meeting minutes and seconded by Jeremy Fila, York Center. *On a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously with Matt Russian, Pleasant Dale abstaining.*

- VI. Approval of September 2023 Treasure's Report:**

A motion was made by Tom Yurkovich, Westchester to approve the September 2023 treasure's report and seconded by Michele Sullivan, Countryside. *On a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.*

- VII. Reports**

A. RGA Monthly Report

- a. Fall started on Monday. We have 126 participants and the total registration for programs is 575. Basketball starts in November so you might see an increase in this number. 22 weekly programs along with Gators athletic programming. This includes bowling, volleyball, basketball, and swimming. There will be 12 special events and 2 winter break camps. Vehicles are looking good so far. They took the new van to Cleveland last week. We currently do classes with District 86, but we will be starting a class with District 205 with their transition center. Upcoming events: Our softball teams took 2<sup>nd</sup> in state, we are partnering with NEDSRA to do a dance and going to a Chicago Fire game.

- VIII. Old Business:**

A. RFP for Service Provider

- a. Jim Pacanowski, Burr Ridge, Sarah Lagesse, Elmhurst and Matt Russian, Pleasant Dale will be part of the RFP proposal committee to gather information for the board. The committee will meet after October 23 when we get the proposals.
- B. Vehicle Lease
  - a. Still waiting on Midwest for a quote. Ryan is going to try to get another quote since we are ahead of schedule.
- C. Website
  - a. Jim Pacanowski, Burr Ridge stated that the board could decide on the extra information that is currently on the website. We do have to provide certain information, but the board can decide how much extra information we would like to provide. Since we do not have a full-time person for marketing/website, the board discussed providing minimal information. If someone wants additional information, they can contact the FOIA officer.
- D. Extension of Current Contract
  - a. No further discussion.
- E. Change of date for October Board meeting due to NRPA Conference
  - a. A motion was made by Matt Russian, Pleasant Dale to change the October board meeting date to October 26 due to NRPA Conference and seconded by Jeremy Fila, York Center. *On a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.*

**IX. New Business:**

- A. IPARKS Insurance Renewal
  - a. Matt Russian, Pleasant Dale presented the document. The amount has gone down.
  - b. A motion was made by Tom Yurkovich, Westchester to approve the rental of the IPARKS insurance and seconded by Michele Sullivan, Countryside. *On a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.*

- X. Adjournment:** Jeremy Fila, York Center made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Tom Yurkovich, Westchester. Motion passed on a voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 3:25 pm.