GATEWAY SPECIAL RECREATION ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING 1/11/2024

Call to Order: Chairman Mike Contreras called the Gateway Special Recreation Association Board of Directors Meeting to order at 3:00 pm on 1-11-24 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 Sarah Lagesse, Elmhurst

Mike Hayes, Hinsdale Mike Contreras, Oak Brook Matt Russian, Pleasant Dale (Arrived Late)

Tom Yurkovich, Westchester Dustin Kleefisch, Willowbrook Jeremy Fila, York Center

Ray Graham Staff: Ryan Massengill

Guests: Catherine Campos RGA, Kim Zoeller RGA

II. Open Forum: None

III. Board Member Comments: None

IV. Communications: None

V. Approval of December 4, 2023, Special Meeting Minutes:

A motion was made by Dustin Kleefisch, Willowbrook to approve the December 4, 2023, special meeting minutes and seconded by Jeremy Fila, York Center. *On a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.*

VI. Approval of December 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes:

A motion was made by Jim Pacanowski, Burr Ridge to approve the December 2023 regular meeting minutes and seconded by Tom Yurkovich, Westchester. *On a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously*.

VII. Approval of January 2024 Treasure's Report: Dustin/Sarah

A motion was made by Dustin Kleefisch, Willowbrook to approve the January 2024 treasure report and seconded by Sarah Lagesse, Elmhurst. *On a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously*.

VIII. Reports

- A. RGA Monthly Report
 - a. Ended the fall with 137 individuals. We have 104 registered for Winter, which is up from last year. There will be 21 weekly programs for this Winter. 11 special events. Gator Club will run through the breaks. Guides are available. There is a waiting list are available programming for winter. District 86 has 2 swimming classes at Oak Brook. District 205 has classes at the YMCA. 205 also has an art class. Summer Camp options are available, the information is on the website. December highlights, Shop Until You Drop, Ugly Sweater Party, and Christmas Carol at Drury Lane.

IX. Old Business:

- A. Vehicle Lease
 - a. Ryan is working with Midwest Bus on the different lease options.

X. New Business:

- A. Discuss Gateway Board Officer Assignments
 - a. Jim Pacanowski, Burr Ridge is willing to take over the Chair starting in March but would be willing to do it for 1 year. Dustin Kleefisch, Willowbrook asked if Gateway Board ever had terms. Jim stated that they haven't. The thought is Jim take the lead this year due to his experience on the board. Mike Contreras, Oak Brook asked if someone would be willing to take on a role. Matt Russian, Pleasant Dale mentioned that he would be willing, but it takes some time to learn the role.
- B. Discuss Contract and Timeline Committee for Contract schedule and implementation.
 - a. Jim Pacanowski, Burr Ridge recommended that the RFP committee meet and come up with items that we want to see done for the contract. They will bring those items to the meeting, and they will report to the board. The goal is to get to the point where all agencies are comfortable. The board was good with the RFP committee to continue to review the contract.
- C. Discuss the Current Contract Date and Potential for adjustment in the New Contract
 - a. Jim Pacanowski, Burr Ridge recommended that we look at the new contract to see if we can extend the contract so that the contract does not end in the middle of the season. Matt Russian, Pleasant Dale asked when the fiscal year for RGA. It is July 1 June 30. Jim Pacanowski, Burr Ridge stated that we are not going to find the perfect time to start the fiscal year due to all the participating districts having different fiscal years.
- **XI. Adjournment:** Jeremy Fila, York Center made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mike Hayes, Hinsdale. Motion passed on a voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 3:15 pm.