

Gateway Special Recreation Association

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the meeting of the Gateway Special Recreation Association Board of Directors will be held on Thursday, January 9, 2025 at 3:00 PM at the Oak Brook Family Recreation Center 1450 Forest Gate Rd., Oak Brook, IL 60523

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. APPROVAL OF JANUARY 9, 2025 AGENDA
- III. OPEN FORUM
- IV. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS
- V. COMMUNICATIONS
- VI. APPROVAL OF DECEMBER 12, 2024, 2024 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
- VII. APPROVAL OF THE JANUARY 9, 2025 TREASURER'S REPORT
- VIII. REPORTS
 - a. RGA Monthly Report
- IX. OLD BUSINESS
 - a. Agency Recruitment Committee Update
- X. NEW BUSINESS
- XI. ADJOURNMENT

Items listed on the Agenda will be discussed and considered by the Board. The Board welcomes public comment on the agenda items during discussion. Gateway Special Recreation is subject to the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. Individuals with disabilities who plan to attend this meeting and who require certain accommodations in order to allow them to observe and/or participate in this meeting, or who have questions regarding the accessibility of the meeting or the facilities, are requested to contact Mike Contreras (630) 990-4233 or at mcontreras@obparks.org promptly to allow the Board to make reasonable accommodations for those persons.

To: Gateway SRA Board Members

Date: January 9, 2025

From: Jim Pacanowski 

Subject: Board Presidency/Chair

Please recall that I agreed to assume this officer position with a specified tenure of one year, at which time, if all was on course contract wise and agency membership wise, someone else from our ranks would assume the position. This occurred in April, 2024 and was preceded by a significant amount of time being spent on public meetings, contract committee work from November through April, so this run has been more like 17 months.

I had indicated that I was anticipating an extremely heavy capital and operating year in 2025-26 and that I would be needing to fall back in my role to contributing Board Member. I also mentioned that it will be important for some new leadership to emerge to fortify a sustenance plan for the SRA's organization. Upon conclusion of this current term of mine, I believe it is my third go at the chair comprising 5-6 years.

Long story short, I will be stepping down as Chairperson officially at the April, 2025 meeting. I would be more than happy to shadow a new president early in the tenure but it is not a very difficult job. I plan on placing this on the February Agenda for discussion.

Thank you.