

Reston Community Center Board of Governors Monthly Meeting November 4, 2019 8:00 p.m. Meeting Agenda

8:00 – Call to Order	Beverly Cosham, Chair
8:02 – Approval of Agenda	Beverly Cosham, Chair
 8:03 – Approval of Minutes and Board Actions Approval of October 7, 2019 Board Minutes (as reviewed and approved by the Board Secretary) Approval of October 7, 2019 Board Actions (as reviewed and approved by the Board Secretary) 	Beverly Cosham, Chair
8:05 – Chair's Remarks	Beverly Cosham, Chair
8:08 – Introduction of Visitors	
8:10 – Citizen Input	
 8:12 - Committee Reports Ad Hoc Accreditation 2019 Preference Poll 	Beverly Cosham, Chair Bill Bouie, Chair Bill Keefe, Chair
8:25 – Board Member Input on Activities Attended	
Adjournment of 2018-2019 Board	Beverly Cosham, Chair
8:45 – Convening of new Board members	Beverly Cosham, Acting Chair
8:46 – Nominating Committee: Proposed Officer Slate	Bill Keefe, Vicky Wingert Nominating Committee
8:49 – Election and Seating of Board Chair	Board
8:51 – Seating of New Board Officers	Board Chair
8:53 – New Chair's Remarks	Board Chair
8:56 – Executive Director's Report	Leila Gordon, Executive Director
8:58 – New Business	Board Chair
9:00 – Adjournment	

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Reminders:

Event

Board Orientation December Monthly Meeting Reception Honoring Cathy Hudgins Annual Strategic Planning Session

Date	Time
November 16	9:00 a.m.
December 2	8:00 p.m.
December 4	4:30 to 6:30 p.m.
January 3, 4	



RESTON COMMUNITY CENTER

SUMMARY OF MINUTES **RESTON COMMUNITY CENTER BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING** OCTOBER 7, 2019, 8:00 p.m.

Present:

- Beverly Cosham, Chair
- Michelle Moyer
- **Dick Stillson**
- Bill Penniman

- Vicky Wingert
- Paul D. Thomas Lisa Sechrest-Ehrhardt

Absent and Excused:

- **Bill Bouie** •
- Bill Keefe •

Attending from the RCC Staff:

- Leila Gordon, Executive Director
- Karen Goff, Public Information Officer
- John Blevins, Deputy Director •
- BeBe Nauven, Communications Director
- Matt McCall, Aquatics Director

The Chair called the meeting to order at 8:02 p.m.

MOTION #1: Approval of the Agenda

Paul moved that the Agenda be approved as written. Bill P. seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION #2: Approval of the September 9, 2019 Board Minutes

Paul moved that the Board approve the September 9, 2019 Board Minutes. Bill P. seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION #3:

Approval of the September 9, 2019 Board Actions

Paul moved that the Board approve the September 9, 2019 Board Actions. Dick seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Chair's Remarks

Bev said she did not see everyone at her performance, but she heard Leila and Vicky. The concert went well, and Bev is looking forward to celebrating the 47th anniversary of her 30th birthday this Halloween.

Let Me Tell You by Caleen Jennings

Let me tell you Young one How lovely it feels to be me All the things swirling around you That you're just too busy to see

Let me tell you how a breeze Caresses the skin on a warm July night How the ocean billows How the dawn

Let me tell you, young one How delicious life can be When I caught my breath at last And realized life wasn't just about me

When I truly saw the snow Billowing grey in the sharp winter air When I saw a dove take wing Me looking up on a hope and a dare.

No, you're living a busy life You've got no time to feel it Me, I've lived and loved with joy No reason to conceal it.

I don't know what lays ahead I'm resolved that I don't care I sip every moment now Like fine wine I love my share

Let me tell you young one I was light and lithe and bold Now I get to sit awhile There's sweet peace in growing old

I'm one of the lucky ones So many friends have gone Each moment is like a jewel I set in my fading crown

And if I could give you a gift I'd give you a forever Each season a cherished bouquet But I'm not that clever

I get up much earlier now I live in the light Still eager to seize what I've got Still part of the fight

Introduction of Visitors None

Citizen Input None

Committee Reports None

Board Member Input on Activities Attended

Paul saw Jeffrey Stewart, which was a good and informative evening. He has been busy with South Lakes High School (SLHS) band and PTSA things. He is sorry he missed the Reston Multicultural Festival, but he was driving a giant truck to a band competition.

Michelle participated in the Candidates Forum. She attended the Reston Multicultural Festival, the Cornerstones 50th Anniversary kickoff and saw the film *Color Adjustment*. It was sad (having just seen her in the film) to learn that Diahann Carroll died. Leila and Michelle discussed doing additional outreach at SLHS for future social justice movies. We should use Eva Forman, former YAT participant and director and now SLHS' drama teacher, as a valuable connection.

Lisa attended the Candidates Forum, the re-dedication of the Lake Anne Pharmacy icons and the Multicultural Festival, which she said is always an honor and represents Reston's diversity very well. Lisa attended Bev's concert and said it was very impressive, with a diverse crowd. Lisa has been working on some things with Southgate Community Center; good things are happening there. Lisa reminded the Board that Southgate Community Day is October 19. Leila said RCC is renting stage equipment for them for that event.

Dick went to ChalkFest at Reston Town Center (RTC). He asked if RCC was involved. Leila said RCC is a sponsor. He attended the Cornerstones event and was amazed at the view from the Cooley office at RTC. Dick also went to hear Jeffrey Stewart and participated in the county strategic planning session for members of boards and commissions. He attended Bev's concert and said he appreciated lyrics he could understand. He also attended the Multicultural Festival. He asked about the process to select acts. Leila said a committee that includes RCC's Arts and Events team selects the acts. PD directly arranges the Heritage Fellows appearances as he has been affiliated with that program for many years.

Vicky attended several CenterStage performances and was impressed with the quality and variety of all of them. She particularly liked Bev's performance and the message Bev conveyed. She did not attend the Multicultural Festival (due to illness), but could hear the performances from her deck. She went to the Reston Historic Trust event featuring the author of *Radical Suburbs*. Vicky told Michelle she really values her contributions, and the community owes her a debt for the service she has given to RCC.

Bill P. was in Spain most of the month, but attended the Fairfax County strategic planning meeting. He said he will also miss Michelle.

Bev said she did most of the things already mentioned, including her own concert, Jeffrey Stewart, Fran Lebowitz, Cornerstones 50th Kickoff, the Reston Historic Trust event and the county strategic planning discussion. She has joined the United Christian Parish social justice ministry and is spreading the word about RCC's Equity Matters programs.

Executive Director's Reports

Aquatics Report: Leila said RCC will issue a press release tomorrow with updated calendar information about the pool renovation/opening. After getting an estimated completion date of late in December, the team went back to the drawing board to look for ways to compress the work calendar. Pool subcontractor Paddock suggested we forgo the water tightness test (test where you let water sit in the pool for 48 hours). The Department of Public Works and Environmental Services (DPWES) researched it and said the test is not done as much anymore, and agreed with Paddock that not doing it would support success with adhesion of the shell to the cement. In forgoing the test, Paddock said they will extend the water tightness warranty from three years to five years. In addition, the elimination of that test will save 10 days on the calendar.

Branch will have crews here on weekends in order to meet a new substantial completion date target of December 3. The December 3 date will not negate the liquated damages of \$1,400 per calendar day that will kick in on November 14. The way the liquidated damages work is there is a reduced amount out of our final payment.

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Dick asked about the grand opening party. Leila said we are postponing that event and may redesign it somewhat to coincide with our community engagement processes. She will also discuss a ribbon-cutting date with the Office of Supervisor Hudgins.

Regarding the pool renovation budget, we still have roughly \$800,000 in the contingency budget line. There are still some change orders that will come in as credits. About \$32,000 remains in the owner's allowances line. Leila said she feels confident we will come in substantially under budget.

RCC staff is working on a December "patron planning" calendar. Leila said the first and primary objective is to get Reston Masters and SLHS swim teams practicing as soon as possible. There will still be punch list items that need to be completed after substantial completion but we can bring in the swim teams for late afternoon and evening practices. We want to keep 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. available for staff training and completion of punch list items. We had 120-plus patrons register for class offerings in November and December. We will issue refunds and will give limited priority access for similar programs in January. On December 14 we will do workshops for those who had registered in the fall. Patrons can come in and meet instructors and get oriented to the new pools.

From December 15 – 31 we will have a "Welcome Home" open house. We will be open regular hours with \$1 per person (Reston status patrons) admission. On January 1, we will begin regular pricing; on January 2, we will start the regular schedule. The pricing – set at 2018 levels – will hold until January of 2021.

People have been asking about the pool opening several times a day. Leila said she does feel badly that the opening is delayed by a month, but she feels very confident Branch Builds will hit this milestone, and she is very happy about the budget performance.

Paul asked about the lag for swim teams. Leila said from December 4 – 14 we will have nothing but swims teams in if the schedule holds. Michelle also said she is concerned about the SLHS team. Leila said RCC and FCPS has been working with the Park Authority staff to find them space at other facilities. That would start November 13. SLHS will have to share pool times and lanes, but everyone is working to accommodate them. Matt said it is a tough situation for SLHS but that RCC has maintained good communication and will do what we can to support them.

Michelle asked about the certainty of dates. Leila said she has been watching the Nest camera. Branch is working weekends; there is a painting calendar and a cleaning calendar. They are doing inspections as they go. Branch is an outstanding contractor, but Leila said they were surprised by the Paddock Pools work delay. Paddock ran into something that is happening across the entire region and is occurring nationwide: there is an acute labor shortage in the construction industry, which is even worse for the specialized requirements of pool environments. Branch says Paddock has provided an outstanding crew. Leila feels reasonably sure December 3 will be the date.

Dick asked who does the inspections, and will there be delays with those? Leila said inspections are done by the county. She is not worried about that timetable. Bill P. said concrete curing takes a long time, so beware. Leila said inspections have been happening as they go. It would be hard for a problem with curing to occur and not get immediate attention.

Paul said December 3 is the Tuesday after Thanksgiving. Leila said overall, 30 days on a project of this size is pretty good, but personally she is distressed as she has never missed a project completion date in 35 years here. Our 2008 renovations were exactly on schedule. The big difference was it was a recession and lots of labor was available. Matt said everything we have been going is top-level. We made it 40 years with the last pool; we should last another 40 with the new ones.

Michelle asked about the press release timetable. Leila said it will go out tomorrow. It takes a positive approach and puts out the December 3 substantial completion date. Dick asked about the locker rooms. John said those renovations are expected to be done by the end of October.

Executive Director Report: Leila said we have purchased the Dude Solutions software for facilities. We are expecting raw data from the Community Survey tomorrow (October 8); she will discuss with the Center for Survey Research next week how the report should be structured with respect to the big-picture

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"take-aways" from the data. The YouTube films created by Storycatcher Productions are ready for viewing tonight.

The county RFP for solar panels finally closed on September 12. The closing date changed three times, and went through several addenda before it closed. Leila said it would probably be another month before awards are made, but it will be in place for a spring calendar perhaps for installation here.

RCC is continuing to get to full LED lighting with replacement of 29 fixtures at RCC Hunters Woods. That will drop the total wattage from 3,480 to 592.9 for those fixtures. We are seeing programing enrollment continuing to dip in many areas. Participation in fitness and wellness continues to increase. We are exploring adding InteliTrac to RecTrac. It is a dashboard tool to mine data in real time. We are also exploring the available communication tools in the RecTrac software.

Michelle asked if pool patrons could still use a construction pass. Leila said the Y and Herndon Community Center are still honoring passes. Michelle asked if we should invite Rita Smith to whatever opening celebration we have. Leila said we should.

Dick asked if we will have any meetings with the presumptive new Hunter Mill Supervisor, Democratic Party candidate Walter Alcorn (who has no opponent.) Leila said we should not have official meetings until after Supervisor Hudgins leaves office but that she is confident we will be able to get together with the new supervisor after he takes office in January.

Old Business

None

New Business

Beverly appointed Vicky and Bill K. as the nominating committee for 2019-2020 Board officers. Vicky agreed to serve.

Michelle said it was interesting to learn in campaigning how many people are unaware of all we do for the community. She suggested outreach in different formats, perhaps infographics related to our data in addition to the videos and other ideas. Leila agreed and reiterated that the community survey will help us identify fruitful avenues to explore.

Leila said she hopes everyone will stay to view the short films after we adjourn.

MOTION #4: To Adjourn the Meeting

Paul moved to adjourn the meeting. Michelle seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

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Lisa Sechrest-Ehrhardt Board Secretary

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BOARD ACTIONS TAKEN AT BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING ON DATE

- 19-0909-1 Bd That the Board approve the Agenda
- 19-0909-2 Bd That the Board approve the September 9, 2019 Board Minutes
- 19-0909-3 Bd That the Board approve the September 9, 2019 Board Actions
- **19-0909-4 Bd** That the meeting be adjourned.

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