

Reston Community Center Board of Governors Monthly Meeting June 2, 2014 8:00 p.m. Meeting Agenda

Beverly Cosham, Chair

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 May 5, 2014 Board Minutes
 (As Reviewed and Approved by the Board Secretary)

Approval of May 5, 2014 Board Actions
 (As Reviewed and Approved by the Board Secretary)

8:05 – Chair's Remarks Beverly Cosham, Chair

8:07 - Introduction of Visitors

8:08 - Citizen Input

8:12 – Committee Reports

June 2 Finance Committee Report
 Cathy Vivona, Committee Chair

8:20 – Approval of Committee Reports Beverly Cosham, Chair

8:22 - Board Member Input on Activities Attended

8:30 – Executive Director's Report Leila Gordon, Executive Director

8:34 – Old Business Beverly Cosham, Chair

8:40 – New Business Beverly Cosham, Chair

8:45 - Adjournment

Reminders:

EventDateTimeAnnual Public HearingJune 166:30 p.m.July Monthly MeetingJuly 78:00 p.m.

SUMMARY OF MINUTES RESTON COMMUNITY CENTER BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING MAY 5, 2014

Present:

- Beverly Cosham, Chair
- Bill Bouie
- Lisa Sechrest-Ehrhardt
- John Mendonça

- Michelle Moyer
- Bill Penniman
- Cathy Vivona
- Gerald Zavala

Absent and Excused:

Vicky Wingert

Attending from the RCC Staff:

- Leila Gordon, Executive Director
- Cristin Bratt, Public Information Officer
- Barbara Wilmer, Executive Assistant

The Chair called the meeting to order at 8:15 p.m.

MOTION #1:

Approval of the Agenda

Bill B. moved that the Agenda be approved as written. Gerald seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION #2:

Approval of the April 7, 2014 Board Minutes

Gerald moved that the Board approve the April 7, 2014 Board Minutes. Cathy seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION #3:

Approval of the April 7, 2014 Board Actions

Bill B. moved that the Board approve the April 7, 2014 Board Actions. Gerald seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Chair's Remarks

Bev welcomed everyone.

Introduction of Visitors

None.

Citizen Input

None.

Committee Reports

April 21 Finance Committee Report

Cathy reviewed the Finance Committee report for the April 21 meeting attended by herself, Bev, Bill B., John and Michelle. The main topic of the meeting was the recommended fee increases in the committee materials (attached handout) and how that intersects with FY16 Budget Considerations. She said the group talked a lot about the fee increases, the philosophy behind the fee increases, and the plan to review fees annually to analyze customer response. Leila added that we review registered program fees on a regular basis, but have not done that with respect to drop-in fees. Since there is not a natural review

process in place for those, they have fallen significantly behind the public sector market. Cathy noted that she questioned the goal of raising Reston rates to 90 percent of the County's fees for comparable services; she felt that was too high of a percentage for Reston patrons who are also paying taxes in Small District 5. Leila said that we are a long way away from achieving that 90 percent and can revisit it each year to see what patron response dictates. The group also discussed long-range planning and the challenges in creating a five-year plan as John suggested. These discussions are detailed in the attached report. The committee also discussed the current deficit and the plan to reach a balanced budget by FY16. They reviewed current budget data. At the conclusion of the meeting, the committee moved to present the staff recommendations for FY15 and FY16 Fee Increases and Budget Preparation Strategies to the full Board.

MOTION #4:

That the Board Approve the Staff Recommendations for FY15 and FY16 Fee Increases and Budget Preparation Strategies

Cathy moved that the Board accept the FY15 and FY16 Fee Increases. John seconded the motion.

Bill P. asked for discussion. He wants to know what that means for FY16 and beyond because he shares the discomfort of moving to a 90 percent approach. He believes that one of the benefits of living in Reston is being able to try something new at a lower cost. He doesn't think that being 10 percent better than the average community is enough. He doesn't take issue with the fees presented for next year, but he's not comfortable with the long-term trajectory.

Leila said that we discussed that 90 percent is a target that was put out there when we first started this review of fee schedules. Bill said that in doing this, we could lose our Reston residents and alienate our non-Reston patrons as well. He doesn't mind increasing fees, but not to 90 percent of County levels. Michelle noted that this is for drop-in programs only, not for classes. Leila acknowledged that classes are structured differently and reviewed regularly; we are only discussing drop-in rates. Bill reiterated that he is not OK adopting a strategy that aims for rates that are only 10 percent below market rates. There was additional discussion about the fees, as well as what the motion on the table included. Leila clarified that the motion on the table is for FY15 and FY16 fee increases only and does not include the 90 percent trajectory; we can revisit that goal annually to determine the appropriate number in order to achieve and maintain a balanced budget.

Cathy clarified and restated her motion; she moved that the Board support increasing fees as outlined for FY15 and FY16 and approve the plan for preparing the FY16 budget outline to be presented at the June Public Hearing. John seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION #5:

Approval of the April Committee Report

Bill B. moved that the Board approve the committee report. John seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Board Member Input on Activities Attended

John attended Best of Reston and a new GRACE exhibit called "Incubator." He thought it was very interesting, even for a non-artist like himself.

Lisa attended the RCC Volunteer Appreciation Dinner, Best of Reston and also noted that parents at a local elementary school were recently warned about a significant increase in human trafficking among children in northern Virginia.

Bill P. went to the Trout Fishing performance in the CenterStage. The show was entertaining as always, but he still can't sing the fast songs.

Bill B. attended Best of Reston and noted that donations to the Cornerstones campaign are still coming in. He noted that the public comment period has closed for the Park Authority's Baron Cameron Park Master Plan Revision. Planners are putting together a final plan and expect to present it to the PA Board on June 25. He also said that IPAR has been busy working on identifying a possible location for a memorial garden in Reston.

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Cathy played bridge and attended the RCC Volunteer Appreciation Dinner which was delicious; it was great to see the friendships and support that has evolved between volunteers. She also appreciated that the Board members were recognized as volunteers as well.

Gerald was busy at home and work and didn't attend many events this month.

Michelle attended the Best of Reston.

Bev enjoyed singing *Happy Birthday* to Bob Simon at the Best of Reston. She also went to the Meet the Artists series to see the Tallwood Trio, attended an RCO Board meeting, and is rehearsing for a Reston Chorale concert. She attended the Volunteer Appreciation Dinner and framed her certificate since it's rare for her to sign a certificate that she also receives.

Executive Director's Report

Leila reviewed her Executive Director's report and said that April was very busy with lots of programs. She highlighted staff accomplishments including employee trainings and team leadership program accomplishments, all detailed in the report. She noted that Fairfax County holds an administrative resources conference each year. RCC nominated Melissa Murray from Aquatics. She did not win in this year's highly competitive field, but she did receive a pin in recognition of the nomination. She said the Annual Egg Hunt had more than 1,000 people in attendance, in part thanks to the beautiful weather. She also noted that it is one of the last free egg hunts in the area, which drives attendance. RCC participated in Southgate Community Day, which focused on nutrition this year. She said the AARP tax aide program wrapped up in April. Approximately a dozen volunteers helped more than 800 people with their tax returns between January and April. She reminded everyone that she will be on leave for a week in May.

Old Business

There was no old business.

New Business

John noted an article on RestonNow about someone selling Reston Pool Passes on Craigslist. Leila said we haven't heard of that happening with any RCC passes. Bev noted that there is a Finance Committee meeting scheduled for May 19 and asked Finance Committee members to let Leila know their availability.

MOTION #6:

To Adjourn the Meeting

Cathy moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 p.m. Lisa seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

William Penniman, Board Secretary

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Date

BOARD ACTIONS TAKEN AT BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING ON MAY 5, 2014

14-0505-1	Bd	That the Board approve the Agenda
14-0505-2	Bd	That the Board approve the April 7, 2014 Board Minutes
14-0505-3	Bd	That the Board approve the April 7, 2014 Board Actions
14-0505-4	Bd	That the Board approve the staff recommendations for FY15 and FY16 Fee Increases and Budget Preparation Strategies
14-0505-5	Bd	That the Board approve the April committee report
14-0505-6	Bd	That the meeting be adjourned.

William Penniman, Board Secretary

__5-30-14_ Date

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