

Byron Park District Regular Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, March 15, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. Byron Park District Board Room

1.1 Commissioner Jeffrey called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners to order at 6:00 p.m.

1.2 On roll call, the following were:

PRESENT: Commissioners Boyle, Griffith, Jeffrey, and Oracki.

ABSENT: Wilmarth.

STAFF PRESENT: Director Paul Zepezauer, Nick Warrner, John Walters and Elaine Carow.

GUESTS: Phil Brower.

2.0 PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

3.1 BOARD AMMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA: None.

3.2 STAFF AMMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA: None.

3.3 APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: Commissioner Oracki made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Commissioner Boyle seconded the motion, which passed unanimously on voice vote 4-0.

- **4.1 APPROVAL OF THE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 15, 2022:** Commissioner Boyle made a motion to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of February 15, 2022 as presented. Commissioner Oracki seconded the motion, which passed unanimously on voice vote 4-0.
- **5.1 APPROVAL OF THE TREASURERS REPORT FOR THE MONTH ENDING FEBRUARY 28, 2022:** Director Zepezauer provided the Treasurers Report for the month ending February 28, 2022. February was a positive month for the Recreation Fund with the bottom line up when compared to 2021. Director Zepezauer provided an update regarding the annual fee to the school district being on an accrual basis. He noted the fee would be the only item recognized as accrual and requested it remain as is. PE Center revenue is beginning to see the benefits of the facility expansion and the Theatre Program is off to a good start. Recreation expenses remain steady. Fund Comparisons by Department, Revenue vs. Budget, and Expenses vs. Budget were reviewed. February payroll and bank balances were provided. Commissioner Griffith made a motion to approve the Treasurers Report for the month ending February 28, 2022. Commissioner Oracki seconded the motion, which passed unanimously on voice vote 4-0.
- **5.2 APPROVAL OF BILLS FOR FEBRUARY 2022:** A list of bills for February 2022 was provided. Commissioner Boyle made a motion to approve the bills as presented. Commissioner Griffith seconded the motion, which passed unanimously on voice vote 4-0.
- **6.1 JOHNSON RIVERFRONT PARK:** Director Zepezauer reported he received an update regarding the OSLAD grant. He advised the Board must make a decision to move forward with the Johnson Riverfront Park project or return the grant monies received. A tentative budget for the project was provided; discussion regarding the timeline occurred. Commissioner Griffith suggested taking a more conservative approach as the project initially began prior to Covid-19. Commissioner Jeffrey questioned the possibility of reapplying for the grant. Director Zepezauer advised the district would become ineligible for a period of two years. Commissioner Oracki made a motion to proceed with playground installation at Johnson Riverfront Park. Commissioner Boyle seconded the motion, which passed unanimously on Roll Call vote 4-0.



AYES: Commissioners Oracki, Boyle, Griffith and Jeffery.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Commissioner Wilmarth.

7.1 COVID POLICY: Director Zepezauer reported mask, vaccine and testing mandates have been dropped at all levels of government. Staff wished to repeal the Covid-19 School Personnel Vaccination and Testing Policy as well as the requirement for all new employees to be vaccinated. Commissioner Oracki made a motion to repeal all Covid-19 policies related to mandatory vaccines and testing. Commissioner Griffith seconded the motion, which passed unanimously on voice vote 4-0.

*Elaine Carow exited the meeting at 6:30 p.m.

8.1 DIRECTOR/STAFF REPORTS: Director Zepezauer provided the Directors Report. Theatre is close to finalizing the remainder of the 2022 Performance schedule. Turn out for Lion King Jr. auditions were outstanding with 74 participants in the cast. Auditions for Mary Poppins will be held March 26 & 27. Several secondary light fixtures were purchased for the theatre to replace old fixtures that can no longer be repaired. Membership and Punch Card usage was reported. Carrie will be facilitating a First Aid/CPR/AED certification class on March 29 and April 13. The Part-Time Operations Manual is being updated to include the Theatre Department and aquatics changes. The Parks Report provided an update on Middle School Theatre Improvements including repairs to Primary Spot Lights, new secondary lighting, and general maintenance and attention to neglected equipment. The Recreation Report was provided. Highlights included solid registration numbers for Spring Soccer with an increase at the older levels. Registration for Baseball and Softball continue to struggle at the older levels. Summer offerings for Taekwondo will include two levels, Little Ninjas and Family Ninjas. Swim lessons concluded at the end of March and a new session will be offered in the Summer Program Guide. Enrollment for Summer Camp is open and field trip locations have been reserved. Recital Dance began the 4th session. The competition dance team attended their first competition and received several awards. The Spring Meltdown Fitness Challenge had 61 participants sign up. A Circuit Race Application was submitted for the Tiger 10 Miler and the Byron Fest 5K was approved. Registration for the Aquatic Egg Hunt is open and the Sock Hop is on as scheduled. The first proof of the summer guide was received and revisions were submitted. Delivery to the printer is tentatively scheduled for March 23. Solicitation for sponsors is underway. Additional sponsorship opportunities are now available for special events, playbills, and the dance recital program.

8.2 BOARD REPORTS: None.

9.0 CLOSED SESSION: None.

10.0 ADJOURNMENT: Commissioner Boyle made a motion to adjourn at 6:50 p.m. Commissioner Griffith seconded the

motion, which passed unanimously on voice vote 4-0.

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