

**TENAFLY RECREATION BOARD  
MINUTES – January 14, 2013**

- I. ROLL CALL:** Carol Roux, Naomi McDermott, Ed Salaski, Amy Lerner-Alpine Liaison, Monica Zaccario, Steve Hamersma, Nadia LaMastra-Council Liaison, Jeff Pattison, Sara Levinson, David Reichel, Robert Silber  
**Absent:** Matthew Mercurio

**Swearing in of new members and voting for Chair and Vice Chair:**  
David Reichel and Sara Levinson took Oath of Office.

**Nominations: Mrs. Zaccario nominates Mr. Silber for the position of Chairperson, Mr. Silber declines.**  
**Mr. Silber nominates Mrs. McDermott for the position of Chairperson, Mr. Pattison calls for a vote Mr. Hamersma seconds, all in favor, Mrs. McDermott accepts the position.**  
**Mrs. Zaccario nominates Mr. Silber for the position of Vice Chairperson, Mrs. Zaccario calls for a vote, Mr. Pattison seconds, all in favor, Mr. Silber accepts the position.**

- II. MINUTES:** December 10, 2012 **Mr. Silber motions to accept the minutes with correction Mr. Hamersma seconds the motion, all in favor the motion is carried.**

**III. AUDIENCE:**

1. Tom Laug-Football Program- Mr. Laug reports the Flag 2<sup>nd</sup> grade had 22 players, pee wee had 30, juniors had 26 and the senior division had 30. The senior team finished with 20 players. There were 120 total in the junior football program. Mr. Laug suggests that someone from the recreation department should attend the league meeting. New helmets were purchased well received by all. Mr. Silber asks if the helmets were used among all the teams Mr. Laug states they were used by all. Mr. Laug suggests we purchase small helmets this year. Mrs. Roux states that a meeting will be held with the director and football coaches to go over improvements for next year. Jeff Kurtz-asks how can we get things moving sooner, who makes the decisions?  
Mrs. LaMastra states that the director makes suggestions to the board.  
Tom Giordano-12 George St. Mr. Giordano agrees that a recreation representatives should attend the meeting. Mr. Giordano inquires why did the seniors drop to 16.  
Mr. Pizzurro states that the drop was due to injuries and player quit as a result of the team not doing well the kids got discouraged. Flag program will hopefully build the program.  
Mrs. Levinson asks if Mr. Pizzurro thinks that kids are dropping due to safety. Mr. Pizzurro feels that the program needs more coaches to help teach the kids fundamentals that the kids are getting bored standing around.

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2. Mr. Suess-Handball Court- 12 Colonial Road Mr. Suess would like to have the handball court built at the Roosevelt Common next to Tennis Courts. Mrs. McDermott states we need space and that we are not allowed to pave over land at the common. Mr. Hamersma suggests that Mr. Suess go to the zoning board looking for available land.
3. Andy Goldstein-Kiddie Soccer Class Proposal-P.O. Box 125 Brookside NJ  
Mr. Goldstein states that he runs a soccer program for preschoolers  
Mr. Pattison states that TJSJL has had a preschool program in the past.  
Mr. Salaski asks what the background of people who work for Mr. Goldstein is. Mr. Goldstein states that his workers are former and current college players.
4. Rocco Santorufo-Broadway Bound Class Proposal-99 West Madison Ave Dumont.  
Mr. Santorufo would like to hold an AFA program, he states that movement, makes a connection with children. Mr. Santorufo will be the instructor.  
Mrs. LaMastra states that recreation is trying to broaden our AFA programs  
Jackie Saltzman-26 Buff Road-Mrs. Saltzman feels it would be beneficial to hold the program in the McCandless Room rather than at Mr. Santorufo's studio in Dumont so the children can meet other residents.  
Mrs. McDermott tells Mr. Santorufo that the board is overwhelmed with graciousness and that they would love to have this program.
5. Jay Brill-Adult Golf Class Proposal-166 Cambridge Ave. Englewood  
Mr. Brill states that he would like to hold a program for adults to teach the basics of golf in a fun environment.
6. TUSC-End of the season report-The recreation board acknowledges receipt of report.
7. TYB-Preseason report-Andrew Budkofsky 152 Highwood Ave. Mr. Budkofsky reports there are 477 kids in the program this includes 60 teams and 90 coaches. Travel Basketball has 185 kids with 16 teams in BTBL. The 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade peewee clinics have 103 kids. The clinics are held over 6 consecutive Saturdays. The challenger program is being run by Peter Waltman and has many kid volunteers with 19 participants. TYB will be replacing the scoreboards in Smith and Mackay by next year. TYB will be offering 8 week classes in the Spring and Fall, the coaches will be from the JCC. The recreation team fee was \$85.00 and travel was \$300. Mrs. Levinson questions the fee she thought it was more.
8. Tom Giordano 12 George St-Mr. Giordano states that at the last meeting the recreation board discussed doing work to help with drainage at Sunnyside Park. Mr. Giordano request that if anything is done at Sunnyside please make sure Little League is involved he confirms that the drainage needs to be addressed.  
Mrs. LaMastra states that the engineer will be checking into the drainage and the president of Little League will be notified.

### **III. CORRESPONDENCE:**

#### **V. DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

1. Two new signs for basketball courts-Mrs. Roux states that the signs are in at the DPW will be installing them.
2. Policy for equipment not returned-Mrs. Roux asks the board to adopt a policy for equipment ie: football that is not returned to the recreation office. The recreation board asks that Mr. Mercurio compose a policy for the boards review next month.

#### **VI. OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Trust Accounts-Administrative Fees-Concession Stand Fire Alarm/vent, counter tops.-The Recreation Board will look into this next month.
2. Fitness Equipment-Mrs. LaMastra asked for a change in location, people have expressed concern on privacy with it at the circle. Mr. Hamersma suggests the area at the corner of Riveredge Road and Jefferson Avenue next to the parking lot by the track. Mrs. Roux will get the lot size from the building department and forward it to the three companies to draw up blueprints.

#### **VII. NEW BUSINESS:**

Kiddie Soccer-Mr. Pattison requests that the recreation office notify TJSL that we will be running this program.

**Mr. Silber motions to approve the program Mrs. Zaccario seconds, all in favor, motion is carried**

Broadway Bound-Mr. Silber motions to approve the program, Mrs. Zaccario seconds, all in favor, the motion is carried.

Jay Brill -Adult Soccer **Mrs. Zaccario motions to approve the program, Mr. Silber seconds, all in favor, the motion is carried.**

Hip Hop-Mr. Silber motions to approve the program, Mr. Pattison seconds all in favor the motion is carried.

1. Mrs. Levinson states that she checked and that recreation basketball's fee was \$90.00 and travel was \$ 385.00 this year.  
Mrs. LaMastra expresses her concern that basketball is now extending into spring and fall. Mrs. Lamastra questions whether this will infringing on kids and field space for sports and feel we need to look at the impact of sports going to multiply teams and multiply seasons. Mrs. LaMastra reminds the board that the cosponsorship policy states sports need to come to the recreation board before adding extra teams ie: A team, B team.

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- Mr. Salaski states that the blame cannot be put on the sport it is the kids who want to play the sport year round.
- Mrs. Levinson states that the board needs to be concerned with coaching preferential in regards to the spring and fall basketball programs.
2. Mrs. LaMastra asks the board members to read the ordinance establishing them as a board to remind everyone of the boards responsibilities.
  3. Mr. Pattison questions the amount of cash reserve held by TUSC.  
Mrs. LaMastra states the we need to look at fees charged and cost basis fees.  
Mr. Salaski states that the cash balance has built up over the years. Mr. Salaski states that TUSC paid professional trainers and their contract states that you do not pay for rainouts which adds to the cash reserve. Mr. Salaski states that the registration fee has not increased in years.  
Mrs. Levinson states that the travel soccer fee is the same as teams in the area.

#### **VIII. SPECIAL EVENTS:**

#### **IX. ADJOURNMENT: 9:38 pm**

**Mr. Silber motions to adjourn, Mrs. Zaccario seconds, all in favor, the motion is carried**