

The Workshop Meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was called to order by President Cohen at 7:30 p.m. in the Administrative Offices of the Deerfield Park District located in the Jewett Park Community Center. Attendance was taken and the following were:

Present: Antokal, Caron, Patinkin, Stryker, Cohen (5)
Absent: None (0)

Also in attendance was Linda Gryziecki, Secretary/Director of Parks and Recreation; Linda Anderson, James McCormick, staff members.

Staff proceeded to demonstrate the AED's located in Park District facilities. Commissioners expressed an interest in going through the six (6) hour CPR / AED training that is required for full time staff. As a Saturday may be more conducive due to the number of hours needed, Board Members each agreed to bring a list of dates they would be available to the next meeting.

Discussion followed on general guidelines for facility use. In review of current and proposed policies, it was agreed that predominately youth oriented parties such as graduation, bar / bat mitzvah, etc. be referred to the Golf Course Clubhouse. Additional facility supervision may be deemed necessary for these functions as well as some adult events and this should be provided by Park District approved security personnel with the cost paid by renter.

In review of the survey data regarding room rentals to political organizations, it was agreed that a very specific application along with any promotional / publicity materials be submitted for Board review and action.

Review of the draft Clubhouse Use Golf Operations Policy #7010 followed. Suggested revisions will be made to the policy as well as the event agreement and both will be resubmitted for Board action.

Proposed food and beverage policy for the 2007 season was presented and accepted with one price change of the Grilled Chicken Salad and Chef Salad to \$7.00. It was suggested that the beverage cart be stocked with fruit, energy bars, and nutritional items in addition to current offerings. In order to promote the new menu items inside the Clubhouse, it was suggested that we provide samples on busy golf days. We may also want to reinstate the Go Green Bike Rally or a similar special event that would end up at the golf course for breakfast.

Discussion followed on suggested marketing approaches for the golf course including 2 for 1 and buy 3 greens fees and cart, get the 4th free etc. Concern was expressed that while the intent is to attract new users to the course, the coupons may be primarily used by our regular golfers. The Golf Advisory Committee has discussed different approaches throughout the years and it was suggested that they revisit the use of coupons and gimmick price reductions.

As we are currently soliciting applications for committee vacancies with low interest to date, it was agreed that we also accept applications from non-resident golfers with appointments determined by the level of interest. The golf course is frequented by many non-residents who may be interested in providing input into the operation. As we now have a full time General

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Manager and it is expected that the Clubhouse events will be scheduled year round, it was suggested that we consider a different meeting schedule for the Golf Advisory Committee.

Promotional / marketing pieces that were presented to the Board will be revised based on the discussion. Future parts of the Marketing Plan will be explored with the Golf Advisory Committee.

Commissioners proceeded to review the proposed revisions to the Building Use Policy: Leisure Services #5004. Board Members suggested changes dealing with security personnel, damage deposits, cancellation and overtime charges. These will be incorporated into the policy with additional discussion / review scheduled at a future meeting.

As the hour was late, review of the remaining sections of the Board Policies and Administrative Regulations Manual will be scheduled at a future meeting.

There being no additional business, motion made by Commissioner Caron, seconded by Commissioner Patinkin, to adjourn the Workshop Meeting at 10:30 p.m. Voice vote as follows:

AYES: Caron, Patinkin, Antokal, Stryker, Cohen (5)

NAYS: None (0)

Motion passed in a voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Gryziecki, Secretary