

Recreation Advisory Board Meeting

January 10, 2008

Members present: Luke Papamichael, Chris Gillen & John Harmon. Others present: Jeff Sweeney & Kelly Lehman

Old Business

Track Refurbishment Grant

John had the administration do some research as to why there is no home track meets. They indicated that schools do not want to compete on a stone dust track. They would prefer to compete on the rubberized surface. In addition, there may be a lack of equipment to hold a full meet – such as lack of hurdles. There was a question as to whether the current track meets NHIAA requirements – Luke will look into this and report back to the board. Luke also asked if the school would support the Recreation Advisory Board writing a grant to improve the current track. John asked Luke to come to the next School Board meeting, January 16th at 7:30 pm, to discuss this with the School Board – Luke agreed.

School Community Service Programs

John reported that schools participate in several community service projects, including, but not limited to the following:

JAG students at the MS After School Program
Clothing/Book/Food/Blood Drives
Peer Outreach & Youth Action
International Club

Amigos
Spirit Week/Winter Carnival
Recycling Club
Mock Elections

Field Use Policy

Members present – Luke & Chris – reviewed the field use policy and agreed to adopt the policy. Luke will get the information to John and have him vote on the policy.

Soccer Field Development

Luke reported that there is not enough room for a full-size field next to the Lafond Field in the Cammett Recreation Area. They have decided to put a recreational size field there instead. The next step is to buy the loam and have it tested (possibly at UNH). This will probably not happen until the spring of 2008.

New Business

Ethics Training

Kelly will look into the ethics training schedule and report back to the board.

RCFY – Smoking Ban – petition warrant article

Luke reported that the Raymond Coalition for Youth has submitted a petition warrant article to ban smoking on all recreation ball fields – this includes Cammett & 107.

Fishing Derby

Chris would like to hold a fishing derby in town. Kelly stated that a committee involved in the Earth Day festivities has discussed this as well. Kelly will forward contact information to Chris.

New Members

Luke extended an invitation for Jeff Sweeney to be on the board. He has made the effort to attend 3 meetings (one was canceled). Kelly will report this information to Michelle Gordon, Recreation Director. Luke also would like to try and enlist more members. Chris suggested trying to recruit at the Senior Center. Kelly will find out their regular meeting time and Luke will attend the meeting to try to solicit volunteers.