



Lamoine Recreation Department

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Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes

Thursday, November 1, 2018
Lamoine Consolidated School Teachers Room, 6:30 PM

Attendance: Amanda Frost, Patti Haslam, Michelle Stoll, Jason Trenholm, Nikki Chan, Andrea Smith

Guests: Heather Alley and Mark Woida

1. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 6:31 PM

2. Review and Approve Minutes from 10/4/2018

Motion to approve the minutes from the 10/04/2018 meeting was made by Patti Haslam, and seconded by Amanda Frost.

Votes in Favor: 5 Opposed: 0 Absent: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion Passes

3. Harbor House Collaboration - Mark Woida in Attendance

Mark Woida introduced himself and described his role with Harbor House (Southwest Harbor & Tremont) as well as with some other partners around MDI. He described that he does some outreach with the YMCA in Ellsworth, but he wanted to come and connect to see if there would be a possible opportunity to collaborate with LRC in the future. Mark described his experience in previous years regarding soccer, and he would love to return to the model if he knew he had a few other communities (such as Lamoine) to work with.

Amanda asked a few questions, and noted that maybe next year during soccer LRC might be interested in collaborating if a few other communities would also be interested. The committee mentioned meeting again with Mark in April or May to discuss fall sports.

Mark thanked the committee for their time and let them know he would connect again in the spring.



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4. Rec Shed

Jason reported that he believed the gray shed near the Anderson Garage would be the best one for the Rec Dept to take ownership of. He spoke to Stu, and the selectmen agreed to move the shed closer to the garage if the Rec was interested in acquiring the shed.

Motion to accept the gray shed was made by Patti Haslam, and seconded by Michelle Stoll.

Votes in Favor: 5 Opposed: 0 Absent: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion Passes

5. Winter Sports Preparation & 2nd Registration Plans

Michelle reported that there were very few athletes signed up during the first winter registration night. A second registration night is planned for 11/2 - Andrea and Michelle will arrive before 5:30 in order to set up Mr. James' room. Andrea noted that she has the flag and will put it out in the main entrance, and Michelle reported that Chalsi B. and Jenny S. will be in attendance in order to help answer cheerleading parent questions.

The committee then discussed preliminary plans for basketball. Amanda will check with Betty regarding facilities forms, and it is assumed that practices will be held on weekdays from 6:15-7:15 PM.

PK/K program will mirror the soccer philosophy, and will only consist of practices and maybe small scrimmages toward the end of the season rather than competitive game play through the DEFY league.

If needed, the committee agreed on calling a quick meeting to make further decisions about PK/K, 1/2, and 3/4/5 teams based upon the 11/2 registration numbers.

6. Strategic Planning - Department Sustainability

Amanda began the conversation expressing some frustration with the overload of responsibilities related to the committee. She tied in Mark's presentation from earlier, and noted that other communities have a paid/full time employee to run programs for youth development and sporting. Through conversation she discussed that a paid position makes it easier to cover all of the details (equipment, field lining, etc.).

The committee then discussed ideas that might help "lessen the load" and make the tasks/responsibilities more manageable. These ideas included:

- Paid facilities person
- Parent outreach
- Splitting responsibilities on the rec - week by week??



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- Recruit via newsletters in student folders, and on facebook

Amanda told the committee she would be reaching out to Stu Marckoon to share some of these thoughts.

7. Other Items

Michelle noted that a parent that had approached her wanting a refund for their child who came to one soccer practice. Since there was no precedent set, the committee discussed pros, cons and logistics of refunding parents on their payments for a season.

Motion to add line to the registration paper regarding “no refunds” was made by Patti Haslam, and seconded by Amanda Frost.

Votes in Favor: 5 Opposed: 0 Absent: Abstain:
Motion Passes

In other news, the committee officially welcomed the Heather Alley as a new attendee to the meeting, and thanked her for her input during conversation.

Motion to recommend Heather Alley to the Selectmen as an official Alternate Rec Department member was made by Patti Haslam, and seconded by Amanda Frost.

Votes in Favor: 5 Opposed: 0 Absent: Abstain:
Motion Passes

8. Adjourn

Next meeting date: December 6 @ 6:30 PM

Motion to adjourn was made by Patti Haslam at 8:07 PM, and seconded by Amanda Frost.

Votes in Favor: 5 Opposed: 0 Absent: 0 Abstain: 0
Motion Passes