

**Glen Ellyn Park District  
Ackerman Sports and Fitness Center Advisory Committee Meeting  
Minutes  
Ackerman Sports and Fitness Center  
February 7, 2019  
6:30 p.m.**

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 6:00pm

**Roll Call**

Members present were Co-chairman Alex Durham, Marion Michel, John Nevins, Beth Lily, Mark Reinke, and Gina Walch.

Staff present were Executive Director Dave Harris, Superintendent of Recreation Kathleen Esposito, and Facility Manager Ryan Miller.

**Approve Minutes**

Mark Reinke moved, seconded by Marion Michel to approve the minutes from the February 28, 2018 Ackerman SFC Advisory Committee meeting.

*Roll Call:*        *Aye:* Co-chairman Alex Durham, Marion Michel, John Nevins,  
Beth Lily, Mark Reinke, and Gina Walch

*Nay: None*

*Motion Carried*

**2018 Highlights and Review**

Facility Manager Ryan Miller provided a brief overview of the 2018 membership update, and general facility improvements including: new basketball hoops installed on court 2, installation of 8 additional security cameras, new audio app's for the fitness center televisions, new design upgrades of the facility throughout the first floor, additional cardio equipment, and the parking lot project.

Member Nevins asked about theft in the facility. Facility Manager Miller explained he was aware of two instances and both were taken care of and the property was returned.

Member Reinke expressed his satisfaction with the new audio app for the tvs, he stated that members are pleased with the addition.

Member Lily was pleased with the additional operation hours in the mornings and inquired about the numbers of members who attend the facility at the 4:30am hour. Facility Manager Miller informed the group that around 15 members arrive at the 4:30am opening time.

## **2019 Goals and Projects**

Facility Manager Ryan Miller presented the 2019 Goals and Projects including:

- increasing emphasis on member retention and attracting new members
- enhancing the personal training program, add 2 new trainers
- Expand upon the Adult Tot Climbing offerings
- Host a monthly fitness orientation for small groups
- Refinish the floors in the gym and fitness studio
- Purchase a drop-down volleyball net for court 2 and new stands and nets for courts 1 and 3.
- Install plywood to the turf area to cover the exposed installation on the north and south walls
- installation of additional security cameras in the turf and court areas
- Install a trophy case for the Athletics Department in the lobby
- Offer the AARP Medical Supplement Membership
- Host First Aid/CPR/AED classes to the public
- Distribute a member survey
- Purchase new Body Pump Equipment
- Update garbage and recycle containers throughout the facility.

## **Additional Comments**

Member Reinke wanted to thank staff for an excellent year and their dedication to the facility.

Member Lily complimented staff for opening the facility during the Polar Vortex. Member Nevins seconded that and said he utilized the facility and was happy to see how busy the gyms and turf were.

Member Lily commented on the updated designs on the first floor. She said the place looks great and it's a tremendous upgrade.

Member Michel stated that Management is doing a great job with the members and staff. Member Nevins shared that staff is so friendly and well trained.

Member Reinke asked what large capital projects the facility is focusing on in 2019. Facility Manager Miller described the projects planned for 2019 to include: drop down volleyball nets for court 2, new volleyball stands and nets for courts 1 and 3, new soccer goals in the turf, new garbage and recycle cans throughout the facility, updated Body Pump Equipment and new cardio equipment.

Executive Director Harris informed the Committee about the upcoming capital project planned for Ackerman Park including: a new oversized turf field, new field irrigation, softball hub improvements and a new walking path. The Glen Ellyn Park District was recently awarded a \$400,000 grant to assist with walking path portion of the project. The overall project elements were discussed among the members.

Executive Director Harris informed the group that the Park District is currently accepting Requests for Proposals from numerous architectural firms for future renovation ideas for improving the Ackerman Sports and Fitness Center. The goal is to generate ideas for improving the overall flow of the facility including identifying the needs such as additional group exercise space, improved childcare amenities,

additional stretch areas in the fitness center and other needs identified by members over the years. Executive Director Harris stated that the ideas and plans will be generated the Park District Board of Commissioners, community stake holders as well as the members of the Advisory Committee.

**Adjourn**

Marion Michel motioned, seconded by John Nevins to adjourn the meeting at 6:57 p.m.

*Roll Call:*       *Aye:* Co-chairman Alex Durham, Marion Michel, John Nevins,  
Beth Lily, Mark Reinke, and Gina Walch

*Nay: None*

Motion Carried