

**Glen Ellyn Park District  
Ackerman Sports and Fitness Center Advisory Committee Meeting  
Minutes**

**Ackerman Sports and Fitness Center  
January 8, 2020  
6:30 p.m.**

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

**Roll Call**

Members present were Marion Michel, John Nevins, Mark Reinke, Katie Klein 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 John Nevins to approve the minutes from the February 7, 2019 Ackerman SFC Advisory Committee meeting.

*Roll Call:*           *Aye:* Marion Michel, John Nevins, Katie Klein, Mark Reinke, and Gina Walch

*Nay: None*

*Motion Carried*

**2019 Highlights and Review**

Facility Manager Ryan Miller provided a brief overview of the 2019 membership update, and general facility improvements including: new drop-down volleyball net, new Body Pump Equipment, cardio equipment, refinishing the gym and fitness studio floors, and the new programs offered in the facility.

Member Nevins commented positively about the Jacobs Ladder Equipment and suggested it would be smart to have member orientation. Facility Manager Miller stated he would take care of this request.

Member Reinke expressed his satisfaction with the new audio application for the televisions within the fitness room but stated he has had some issues with the wifi. Facility Manager Miller let the committee know he is aware of the wifi issues and has a plan to get the issue rectified in a timely manner.

Member Nevins inquired about the locations of the security cameras inside the facility and on the exterior. Facility Manager explained that all security cameras are in the interior of the building. Nevins suggested to staff that exterior cameras maybe something to investigate in the future.

Member Michel shared that she thinks the facility is cleaner and well kept as she has ever seen it. Congrats to the staff on a job well done.

### **2020 Goals and Projects**

Facility Manager Ryan Miller presented the 2020 Goals and Projects including:

- Focus on member retention and attracting new members
- Celebrate the 10-year anniversary of Ackerman by hosting an event January 9 from 4-7pm (cake and giveaways) and a BBQ in June with giveaways.
- Partner with area school districts and hospitals to offer memberships and wellness programs.
- Expand the group fitness offerings to incorporate the gymnasium at Ackerman Sports and Fitness and the Group Fitness Studio at Spring Avenue Recreation Center.
- Replace the turf in the field house area.
- Increase birthday party offerings to include themed parties.
- Offer the AARP Medical Supplement Membership
- Host First Aid/CPR/AED classes to the public
- Distribute a member survey
- Offer fitness classes and utilize the new outdoor fitness equipment.
- Update garbage and recycle containers throughout the facility.

### **Renovation Update**

Executive Director Harris reviewed the Ackerman Sports and Fitness Center's proposed renovation project with the committee. Discussion included the conceptual design for the first and second floor and the overall funding for the project.

Member Nevins applauded staff for the Ackerman outdoor project and stated that he uses the outdoor turf frequently for his morning workouts.

Member Reinke asked about the nature of the grant and how likely it would be to obtain. Executive Director Harris explained it was a very competitive grant and the submittal did have additions that would benefit the grant process.

### **Additional Comments**

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

Member Michel complimented staff for adding the hot tea option to the complimentary morning beverages. She stated many members are pleased by this addition.

Member Michel informed staff that the track needs to be cleaned as there are pieces of gum in high traffic areas. She also informed staff that the vents on the track look great and staff has done a great job with cleanliness.

Member Michel stated that management is doing a great job with the members and users. Member Nevins shared that staff is friendly, service oriented and well trained.

**Adjourn**

John Nevins motioned, seconded by Mark Reinke to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 p.m.

*Roll Call:*            *Aye:* Marion Michel, John Nevins,  
                              Katie Klein, Mark Reinke, and Gina Walch

*Nay: None*

Motion Carried