



SEPRC MEETING MINUTES  
Wednesday, February 27, 2019

**SEPRC Business Meeting**  
**Menomonee Falls Community Center**

A huge THANK YOU to Judy Rupnow with Morgan Myers for presenting her Building and Protecting Great Brands CEU presentation to SEPRC!

BUSINESS MEETING

Approval of Minutes, motion by Craig Hoepfner, seconded by Maggie Anderson.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Ended 2018 with a Revenue Balance of \$1,946.00, Budgeted \$1,450.00.

Ended 2018 with an Expense Balance of \$1,505.00, Budgeted \$1,140.00.

Leaving a positive balance of \$849.68 to start 2019.

Beginning Balance:	\$ 849.68
Revenue:	\$ 960.00 – Memberships
Expenses:	\$ 45.41 – Plaque
Ending Balance:	\$ 1,764.27

2019 Budget Approval, motion by Cory Thompson, seconded by Erin Cross. 2019 Budget Passed.

2019 SPRING WORKSHOP – April 11 & 12, Appleton, WI – REGISTER TODAY

PARKS SECTION REPORT – Erin Cross

- Erin reported that the park section met last week finalizing meetings.
- Spring workshop hotel cutoff is March 19.

RECREATION SECTION REPORT – Maggie Anderson

- Maggie reported that the rec section met online recently.
- They are finalizing speakers for the Spring Workshop by March 1. Register for the Spring Workshop!
- Games In-service for staff will be hosted by West Allis/West Milwaukee. Date and Time TBD.

AQUATICS SECTION REPORT – Tyler Mentzel (report given by Megan Phalin)

- American Red Cross Certification Courses - The Aquatic Section is putting together a list of lifeguard, WSI, and other american red cross courses so they can be easier to find for people to take. If you have not done so already please take a look at that google spread sheet and update any classes you have or forward them to Tyler [tylerm@ci.hartford.wi.us](mailto:tylerm@ci.hartford.wi.us)
- If you have LGIs - They have to take the LGI in person review this year. There seems to be some miscommunication with that but the in person review is required to maintain certifications.
- Tech Work shops will be held on April 5 in Waunauke and April 26 in Ashwaubenon. Please start helping to promote these. They are very beneficial for not only aquatic professionals but anyone helping with the maintenance of the pool. I will be sending flyers out in March with registration forms.
- We are updating forms for aquatic section awards so please start thinking about facilities, programs, professionals that you think should be nominated for awards.

LEGISLATIVE – Anthony Iracki

- Anthony reported that this was the Legislative first meeting. Steve was a public lobbyist and the legislative team is finding their footing within that. They are restructuring and reached out to many associations and the league of WI Municipalities. They will continue to restructure and build and will communicate as they have things to share.

WPRA BOARD OF DIRECTORS REPORT – Derek Donlevy

- Derek reported that the Board has not met due to the snow. They will be meeting on March 6<sup>th</sup>.
- There will be a new meeting format; the first hour will be an open forum for members & vendors. Derek will report more on the new forum in April.
- Nikki Hilker and Matt Hahn will be conference chairs for 2020.
- Now that we know how much money WPRA has, we are looking to get regions a small allocation offering regions the ability to do more. How this affects regions, specifically region 4, to accept money and regroup as a region.
- SAMI is looking to give each region an article in Impact magazine on things going on in their region (spotlight). Derek may ask for someone to help write an article to highlight things going on in region 4.
- Deadline for the Park Design Awards is May 31<sup>st</sup>.
- Craig commented to ask WPRA to give more money back to members (reducing costs to workshops, etc).
- Derek commented that WPRA is planning to give each region enough money to cover expenses and some of our park tour. He will bring back what we can do to bring more money back to the members.

- Lisa Glenn commented that SEPRC is not part of WPRA, region 4 is SEPRC is WPRA. Why are we SEPRC, why not region 4 WPRA?
- Bob commented that the shift in WPRA is different than in the past. We need to watch what we are doing, we are not a 501c3, but a service organization and we may have to pay taxes on any money we receive to our organization.
- Lisa commented that no regions charge dues, maybe we should dissolve the articles for SEPRC.
- Derek commented that he will look into taxes and there may be ways around things like that. They are struggling because SEPRC doesn't send out SEPRC info to non-paid SEPRC members.
- Lisa commented that there is some duplication. This may not be a bad thing to figure out. Good luck Derek!

#### NRPA – Anthony Iracki

- Anthony reported that there are so many opportunities out there, check your email.
- The Land Water Confirmation moved to the senate and they have 10 days to sign it.
- Don't forget to submit scholarship applications if you want to get to the NRPA Conference.

#### YPN – Laura Chatterton (report given by Anthony Iracki)

- Anthony reported that the YPN is fully committed to WPRA.
- They are planning for the 2019 awards/conference. They are looking to create a more distinguishing award.
- There are two new members to the YPN; Candace and Katie. Also, other YPN, members include Katie, Anthony, Kristin, Chair – Adam and Chair Elect – John.

#### EVENTS AND UPDATES

- Free Throw Contest – Dustin Smith reported that the The Annual SEPRC Free Throw Contest will be held on Saturday, March 16th at West Allis Central Fieldhouse. There are 12 groups competing, 3rd-8th grade boys and girls. The competition will begin at 9:00 am. Participants should arrive by 8:45 am. The contest will last about an hour or so depending on the amount of participants in each group. For the departments that will be taking part, you are required to send at least one staff person to assist with scoring the event. Participating departments also need to fill out and submit the scoresheets (attached) to Dustin Smith by March 8th. Please contact Dustin at smitdu@wawmsd.org if you have any questions. Thank you for your participation.
- Wisconsin Youth Track Meet – Andrew Rossa reported that due to the decline in participation they will be changing the model to attract more runners. The track league has always run like the tennis league for region 4. Would communities like to offer as a program and have youth participate in region meets? Anthony commented that Whitefish Bay would be interested. Andrew asked what is the track meet's mission and stated that he will put something out to start a track discussion for 2020. Milwaukee will not be hosting the track meet in 2019. Grafton and Duncan are hosting track meets as well as a few other surrounding communities. Nick Phalin recommended that if a community has a track program to participate.
- Tennis League – Dan Zeroth reported that they had met this morning. Anyone running a tennis program can contact Dan before May 3. Coaches training will be held June 1<sup>st</sup> at Menomonee Falls High School.

#### NEW BUSINESS

- Craig Hoepfner reported that he had attended the CVMIC Park & Recreation Roundtable on Friday. He encouraged all to participate in CVMIC programs. CVMIC is introducing emerging and perfecting supervision programs. Maggie commented that CVMIC programs are a great resource and also suggested to use CVMIC. She mentioned the many different departments that also attend (police, fire, administration, and parks & recreation). Lisa commented that the CVMIC roundtable is always open and free to everyone. April 23 there is a special events session at CVMIC. Maggie commented that there is also a social media roundtable and DPW roundtable coming up for anyone interested.
- HOST REPORT – Huge thank you to Dan Zeroth for hosting the February meeting! Dan gave his host report. Lunch will follow the meeting at Brisco County. Dan reported that the Menomonee Fall Community Center building was built in 1996 to house the department and senior programs. 3k is run by the park and rec two times per week to prep kids for 4k. They are working on a Fit in the Parks program currently (a program idea shared with Green Bay). This is run by the WAC, YMCA, Peace Yoga and the Menomonee Falls Rec and is free for all (meant to get people in the parks). This program in conjunction with CHIP, Menomonee Falls Rec will be working with Holly & Live Well Waukesha County. There are fun things happening in the Falls!
- Next SEPRC meeting will be April 24<sup>th</sup> in Whitefish Bay.

#### PROBLEM SOLVING/IDEAS EXCHANGE

- Nick Phalin reported that the Roc sports complex has sent out information about the Milwaukee Milkmen. There is a game on Thursday July 11<sup>th</sup> that he would encourage all rec departments to consider using as a fun trip.
- Nick also reported that Greendale School District has an opening posted for a Rec Supervisor position that closes this Friday. Contact Jackie the Director for a great opportunity.
- Megan Phalin is revising summer uniform policy. Please send Megan examples.
- Anthony Iracki is looking for rental agreements for pool parties. Please send Anthony examples.

There being no further business, Nick Phalin motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Dustin Smith.