



BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

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January 18, 2024

Call meeting to order

President Tehan called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m., and welcomed board members and staff.

Board members in attendance: Peggy Tehan, board president, Jeff Tryens, board vice president, Bob Keefer, board treasurer, Molly Baumann, board secretary, Heath Foott, board member.

Staff in attendance: Jennifer Holland, executive director, Jared Lustig, recreation/athletic supervisor.

Adjustments and approval of agenda

No adjustments, agenda approved.

New community center outdoor amenities discussion and approval

Prior to the board meeting, the board met onsite at the community center to look at the site in person and get a feel for how all amenities would fit and look. President Tehan addressed that she appreciated all the different skills and backgrounds that each board member brings to the board. Secretary Baumann said thank you for the site visit.

Vice President Tryens wanted to clarify, on the record, a matter from the last board meeting when raising the recusal issue. Vice President Tryens stated that never intended to imply that Treasurer Keefer was violating any ethical standards when it came to conflict of interest. His memory was that Bob offered to recuse himself from matters of SPRD financially supporting the development of [pickleball]courts. Vice President Tryens clarified that he did not have intent to imply that Board Treasurer Keefer was violating any rules of any kind.

Discussion then continued about the outdoor space. President Tehan reminded the board that the reason they were there was because the executive director and staff had made a recommendation to the board to approve amenities for the final conceptual plan for the outside of the elementary school. President Tehan reminded the board that the executive director informed the board earlier that ODOT had finalized their measurements for the roundabout, and they were different from what was provided to DLA. The board knows that this will have to be somewhat re-worked and are unsure what exactly that means.

Discussion continued around court configuration options with pickleball and needing to ensure courts were at least 150 feet from homes. Board Treasurer Keefer made a request to see if DLA could shift courts to the parking lot with the goal of moving courts as west as possible. Vice President Tryens stated that he will support he eight pickleball courts, but he would really like DLA to play around with different court configurations and location in the park, ideally not having the courts at the main entrance or around other activities. Board Member Foott supported the nine amenities, as well as moving the pickleball courts to the west to open up the entrance to the park and have courts in close proximity to the parking lot.

Additional discussion was had around moving walking path as close to the edge as possible, knowing that the path does not have to be straight, and trees and roots are okay to work the path around.

Treasurer Keefer moved to approve staff recommendation of amenities as presented with “the understanding that we move the pickleball courts to the west as much as possible to expand an opening. Consider going more into the parking lot as long as we maintain our required parking lot for the community center as well as looking at making the path along the edges to maximize the green space.” Board Vice President Tryens added, “for DLA to look at other options for the pickleball courts, but eight is approved and consider other options.” Member Foott seconded; Motion approved unanimously.



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Other

Executive Director Holland informed the board of the January 30th meeting, then presented Member Foott with a certificate for completing the SDAO Leadership Academy.

President Tehan adjourned the meeting at 4:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah McNeale, recording secretary.

Approved by the board of directors on 04/23/2024