



Harris County Recreation Board

Meeting Minutes

May 29, 2019

7:00pm – Harris County Community Center

I. Call to order/Roll Call

- Start time – 7:05pm
- Attendees: Mike Fuson; Thomas Vowell; Sondra Moss; Steve Felt; Brad Johnson; Rob Grant; Garnett Ray; Ashley Marston; Steve Waskey; Jairo Gay; Robert McGhee; Zachary Gardner

II. Approval of agenda

- motioned to remove VII(c) from the agenda
- motioned by Brad Johnson; 2nd by Mike Fuson
- all approved

III. Approval of minutes

- a. April 24, 2019 Meeting Minutes
 - spell correction of names – Starling, Fuson, & Vowell
 - add Jairo Gay and Robert McGhee to attendees list
 - motioned by Steve Felt; 2nd by Thomas Vowell
 - all approved

IV. Chairperson's Report

A. Basketball Board

- Steve Felt questioned by-laws and not having regular meeting.
- Jairo Gay:
 - received May 13th email from Ashley Marston about not meeting. He explained the basketball agreed to not have regular meetings. He admitted to having no season close meeting. He plans to do so at next meeting. He also explained Sondra Moss did make attempts with no response to have meeting. He took responsibility for not planning the meeting.
 - He stated meetings were conducted on Feb. 1, 2018; Nov. 1, 2018; Dec. 5, 2018; Dec. 19, 2018, Jan. 31, 2019, Feb. 5, 2019.
 - He was elected President July 2017 until July 2019;
 - the HCBA has always met quorum
 - since his leadership, the account has increased
 - The summer basketball league was a struggle with only 27 players the year before. Had to bring in teams from other counties to make sure there was enough games.

-All-Star problem (Jairo Gay and Steve Waskey)

- Feb 6, 2018, Steve Waskey sent no formal email saying Bass agreed to Coach girls All-Star. Feb. 7th, Bass canceled and an email was sent to board. Steve Waskey said keep the team because it was already paid for. However, board was done with Bass and in 2019

decided not to have Andre Bass take girls to any GRPA. None of the girls qualified to play anyway.

-Steve Waskey said he talked to Andre Bass and decided to add 9-12 girls with Bass coaching. Jairo chose not to bring to board because it was basketball board who decided NOT to take girls

-Jairo stated he told Steve Waskey it was on him, not the Harris County Basketball Association if Bass did not act accordingly and will not replace him as a coach.

-Steve Waskey stated HCBA Board member Fabian Carter said he would approve Bass coaching through the Board. Fabian later came back and said the board approved it and the roster was submitted. Jairo stated it did not happen through the HCBA.

-Jairo stated even though he has no kids in the community, he has been active in HC Rec Sports for 22 years. He was concerned about spending too much time policing wrong things. He was also offended how the board handled this issue.

-Steve Felt said he was concerned how the issue with Bass happened. He also made a suggestion for the HCBA to change by-law to reflect new meeting procedures. He stated he did not understand how Andre Bass made the team and who funded the bill for them to play. He stated to Jairo the issue had to be handled because it was brought the Harris County Rec Board.

-Mike Fuson stated the board was under the impression all boards meet monthly. He stated the issue with the All-Star girls with Andre Bass falls under basketball; however, it was not HCBA fault. Fuson wants to see the All-Star roster to see if the girls were regular Rec basketball players.

-The question was asked on whether the Harris County Rec Board wanted to look into the problem or Harris County Basketball Association. Jairo Gay stated the HCBA will look into it since Board Member Fabian Carter was involved. Sondra Moss agreed. He would let HCRB know the date of the meeting.

B. PMYSA

-board concerned with PMYSA not having/meeting monthly quorum

-Robert McGhee

-Pine Mountain has great board with great members. The board meets the 3rd Thursday of each month. They meet in the Pine Mtn police building and the secretary always take minutes. He will email the minutes in later because he's been sick.

-Even though they may not have a quorum, they still meet. However, they cannot vote. This cause them to often vote by email.

-Brad Johnson stated he was under the impression PMYSA did not meet at all if they did not meet quorum. McGhee stated this was incorrect. The board still meets and take minutes, but they do not vote on any issues at that time.

-Pine Mtn has great sports programs. The police Chief often attends the meeting and help raise funds

-Mike Fuson apologized for mis-information presented to him on both issues. He stated he takes the responsibility for the motion to have the meeting with HCBA and PMYSA.

C. Flag Football

-practice starts June 1st; games start June 8th

-Steve Waskey needs schedule

-Games will be played at Pate Park

V. Treasurer's Report

-\$11,233.47

Deposited 16 checks in wrong account. It will be corrected

-motioned by Thomas Vowell; 2nd by Mike Fuson; all approved

VI. Recreation Director's Report

a. **Updates** – HCLL, Ellerslie Park, Soccer Complex, Other?

-HCLL

-tournament starts May 29, 2019

-Had a few more ejections

-LL board suspended a coach from coaching the rest of the season and post season

-Garnett – the coach was a school coach and school asked Couch to draft an email. The school stated they expected their employees to act respectfully at all times and will monitor behaviors.

-voted to stay in communities

-voted 9-6 not to go county-wide

-Soccer (Thomas Vowell)

Fields are closed for the summer (game side only)

-select try-outs May 28

-successful; have other organizations wanting to come back

-trying to keep and grow our young players

-will have tryouts for select and soccer camps

-still in budget to replace pavilion and restrooms; soccer association willing to help

-Track and Field (Brad Johnson; Steve Felt)

- 12 kids attended stated

- kids represented well (placed in long jump, mile runs, jabbing)

-still need place to store equipment

-Swim Team

-hosting a swim meet June 15th

-expecting 6-8 teams; all day event; need volunteers

-Archery Clubs

-getting ready for tournaments

-has 25 members and going strong

-Summer camps

-Flyer has been created

-YMCA partnered with Rec Center (they have applications for counselors)

-Swim Lessons

-Emily King; America Red Cross swim level

-Budget Update

-commissioner meeting May 30, 2019 at 5pm.

-open to the public

- Ellerslie Park

-getting ready to work on the Park

VII. New Business

a. **Basketball Board**

- (see chairperson's report)

b. **PMYSA Board**

- (see chairperson's report)

c. **Field Maintenance Fee (\$10/player – allows community center membership) – Stephen**

- (see section II)

d. **Vote – GRPA Swimming District/State Entry Fees**

-Amount no greater than \$300

-motioned by Mike Fuson; 2nd by Sondra Moss; all approved

e. Other?

-Football

- all games moved to Pate Park due to safety issue at middle school
- working to increase parking
- working to establish Saturday games
- Steve Waskey will work on the scheduling
- football board is aware of all issue possible changes, but must get parking issues settled
- possibility of playing games Monday and Tuesday at Pate

-Cross-Country (Brad Johnson)

- Carrollton has youth meet
- get entrance meeting to see if get any participation
- event will fall under Track & Field, board will support
- entrance meeting in early July

VIII. Old Business

a. John Magazu Scholarship Fund – update from Committee Members

- attorney stated in their meeting (Dec, 12, 2017) it is the responsibility of the Rec Board to pay all fees
- start 501(c)3 through the Rec Board
- Ashley Marston cannot write checks because she works for the county
- must have another checking account
- Mike Fuson volunteered to only get price from Janice Mallory. He did not volunteer to join committee.

IX. Next Meeting - Wednesday, June 26, 2019

****2019 HC Recreation Board Meeting Dates:**

7:00pm at the HC Community Center

June 26th

July 31st

August 28th

September 25th

October 30th