



City of Surprise
Disability Advisory Commission
Wednesday March 17, 2010 - 6:00 P.M.
Northwest Regional Library
16089 N. Bullard Avenue
Surprise, Arizona 85374

DRAFT MINUTES OF THE MEETING

Members Present:

Ken Hill, Vice Chair
Scott Hjalmerik
Michelle Lewis
Jacob Taylor
Michelle Hernandez

Staff Present:

Paul Frie, CRS Sports & Adaptive Rec. Div. Manager
Joe Gladioux CRS Adaptive Recreation Supervisor

Members Absent:

Wayne Nielsen, Chair
Tracy Smith

A. ROLL CALL

Vice Chairman Hill called the meeting to order at 6:06 p.m. at the Northwest Regional Library, 16089 N. Bullard Ave, Surprise, Arizona 85374.

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

C. CURRENT EVENTS AND REPORTS

- a. Adaptive Recreation Report – Commissioner Taylor reported the third annual adaptive camp outing will be held at the White tank Mountain Regional Park on Saturday April 17th. If you would like more information you can contact Joe Gladioux.
- b. Fair Housing Report – Commissioner Hjalmerik
No report
- c. Accessibility - Commissioner Hernandez reported that individuals in her neighborhood would like to participate in the spring clean up but would need more information to participate in regard to accessibility etc.
- d. Commissioner Smith - No report
- e. Surprise Road Runners Basketball Team - Vice Chair Hill advised the season is finished
- f. ALDA (Arizona Late-Deafened Adults) Report – Commissioner Lewis reported on the following: ALDA is having their next meeting on March 27 in Tempe to help meet some of the requests to hold meetings on the east side of the valley. Commissioner Lewis reported that she will not be here in April and she wanted to make sure there was an agenda item added to the next meeting in regards to alternative meeting schedule. Commissioner Lewis expressed her concern that they are meeting on a monthly basis and that her Cart service is expensive and she would be open to moving the meeting to bimonthly or possibly online to make it easier for everyone and more inexpensive. Commissioner Lewis expressed her appreciation for the city's ability to make meetings

accessible to her and others but in these times that money is tight it makes sense to look into alternative meeting schedules or other ways to meet so everyone's needs are met.

Vice Chair Hill agreed with Commissioner Lewis that a change in the meeting schedule or format makes sense and he would like to add that item to the agenda item as well for next month. Paul Frie recreation manger stated he would check with the City Clerk about the possibility of going on line and the rules in relation to open meeting laws etc.

Commissioner Lewis expressed interest in bringing in a cake or something to celebrate Chairmen Nielson's last meeting in May.

- g. Access Northwest Index Report – Chairman Nielsen
No report

D. STAFF REPORTS

Joe Gladieux presented a staff report to the commission on the following:

- The Special Olympics Basketball Team participated in the West Valley Basketball Tournament held here in Surprise on February 19th. The City of Surprise assisted in hosting the annual event.
- March 12 the Special Olympics Track team participated in the west valley games held at R S Kellis High School in Glendale.
- Joe Gladieux coordinated assistance to a deaf family in the community that was having difficulty with fire alarms in their homes. Members of the fire department assisted the family in making their home safe in a timely manner.
- The ADA complaint to the Department of Justice in regards to the corner of the Loop 303 and Greenway Road has been reconciled. In a joint effort between staff and members from the transportation department, the area now meets Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) ADA standards per the ADOT representative assigned to the case. Surprise was commended on their quick and effective resolution for this area of concern.
- The monthly Deaf Senior Citizens Social was held at Villanueva Recreation Center on March 16. There were approximately 25 participants in attendance.
- The monthly Deaf Community of Surprise held their annual monthly meeting at Sierra Montana Recreation Center on March 2nd.
- The Bambino Buddy Ball group is meeting every Thursday and Saturday night At Dream Catcher Park from 5:30-8:30. There are approximately seven athletes and 60 buddies that participate in this program.
- The Willow Canyon Varsity Baseball Team made an appearance at Buddy Baseball on March 6th to help support our athletes.
- The Adaptive Outreach Program has met three times this month to help clean the stadium seats for spring training games. More dates are scheduled for the future.
- At the request of the Autism Support Group of Dysart, Joe Gladieux presented to the members the opportunities that the City of Surprise offers its residents that have disabilities and the benefits associated with participating.
- The Disability and Human Services Summit was held on February 20th at Radiant Church. The event was a success despite the cold and rain. There were 155 participants who registered for the event.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

No requests from the public

E. APPROVAL OF ITEMS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA

No items were on consent.

REGULAR AGENDA – NON-PUBLIC HEARING

1. Approval of the February 17, 2010 Minutes

Vice Chairman Hill called for approval of the February 17, 2010 minutes.

MOTION: Commissioner Taylor moved to accept the minutes as presented, second by Commissioner Hjalmervik. Motion approved 6-0.

OTHER BUSINESS

Potential agenda items for March were discussed and include:

- Public Comments
- Current Events and Reports by Commissioners or Staff
- Staff Report
- Approval of the March 17, 2010 Minutes
- Commissioner Reports, including the following areas of focus:
 - Access Northwest Valley Project ▪ Roadrunners Wheelchair Basketball Team
 - Adaptive Recreation ▪ Community Education & Resource Development
 - ALDA (Arizona Late-Deafened Adults) ▪ Fair Housing
 - Community Access
- Consideration and action on items to be placed on future agendas
- Discussion on transition of monthly meetings to an alternative meeting format

G. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Commissioner Taylor moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:29pm, second by Commissioner Hernandez. Motion approved 5-0.

ATTEST:

Wayne Nielsen, Chairperson

CERTIFICATION: I, Joe Gladieux, Adaptive Recreation Supervisor for the City of Surprise, Maricopa County, Arizona, do hereby verify that these are the true and correct minutes of the Disability Advisory Commission meeting held on **Wednesday, March 17, 2010.**

Joe Gladieux, Recreation Supervisor