

**NEXT MEETING: THURSDAY, JANUARY 20, 2005, AT 7:00 P.M.**

**BOARD OF RECREATION  
RIDGEFIELD PARK, NEW JERSEY  
NOVEMBER 18, 2004**

President Diane Maglione called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m., it having been duly noted that this meeting is being held in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq., notice of which was sent to The Record on the 29th day of December, 2003, and to the Star-Ledger on the 29th day of December, 2003. Roll call was taken. Commission members present were: Tom Essig, Mercedes Haines, Mary Koegel, Leigh Rivera and Frank Zaccherio. Hal Bomzer Rich DePena and Diane Maglione were excused. Catherine Jacob was absent.

A motion was made by Leigh Rivera and seconded by Frank Zaccherio approving the minutes of the October 21, 2004, meeting.

**Correspondence:** None.

**Hearing of Citizens:** None present.

Activity reports were as follows:

**Bowling** – No new information at this time.

**Wrestling** – There is some confusion about registration. Seventh and eighth grade students from RPHS do not have to pay. They are covered by the high school. Joshua Tafur, a seventh grade student, did pay and a reimbursement check was issued to him.

There was some information missing from several registration forms, which Leigh Rivera is clearing up. Some players have not submitted their registration fees yet and Leigh Rivera will follow up on that as well. There are some forms that were not signed and this will be checked into. There is one family that has three sons playing but the Board is unaware if any discounts are taken. One player says that he returned his uniform but there is no indication of payment on this form. There are a total of 30 registration forms, two of which are seventh grade students at RP who do not pay any fees. There was \$200 cash received and \$400 in cash, however, \$25 of these funds were returned to a family that overpaid. There should have been 28 paid for a total of \$700 minus any discount for family with three sons and if there are any families with special circumstances. Seventh and eighth grade students from Little Ferry or St. Francis have to pay registration fees.

**T-Ball** – No activity at this time.

**Girls' Softball** – No activity at this time.

**Summer Sandlot Baseball Program** – No activity at this time.

**Women's Softball** – Frank Zaccherio has to check into a discrepancy in the final voucher submitted for payment to referees. Evidently, Frank encumbered 72 games but played 103 games. He did not include the playoff games in his original voucher. There are not enough funds left in the account to pay for this voucher. There is a shortage of \$1,488.00 and Frank will check into this.

**Fourth of July** – No activity at this time.

**Easter Egg Hunt** – No activity at this time.

**Holiday Display Contest** – The contest will be held on Friday, December 17, 2004. Notices will be sent out in the schools. Frank Zaccherio will handle this activity and will get the prizes for the contest.

**Wish Tree** – Kaitlyn Maglione will be doing this as her community service project. Each child will have two ornaments as some people requested an ornament last year and there were none left.

**Tree Lighting** – The tree lighting is scheduled for Sunday, December 5. Members should meet at the municipal building at 5:30 p.m. Mercedes Haines has contacted everyone to advise them of the date and time. Diane Maglione said she would notify the police. This year the high school chorus will perform before the tree lighting. Vorhees Funeral Home has donated the Toys R Us gift certificate. Mercedes will distribute notices in the schools and will make the ballot box, complete with extra ballots to be used on December 5. Mercedes will get candy canes to hand out.

**Rag-A-Muffin** – The parade was held on October 30 and everything went well. Participation was as follows:

Division 1 – 33, Division 2 – 9, Division 3 – 24, Division 4 – 27, Division 5 – 6, Division 6 – 6, Division 7 – 13 for a total of approximately 125 entries.

The judges' stand was put on the corner of Hobart and Euclid facing in and this worked well with the parade starting nearer the tennis courts. The children seemed to be happier with the addition of more trophies and next year trophies will be added for Cutest Entry and Most Creative. The music entertained the children while the judges made their choices and a parent (Mr. DeGloria) dressed in a costume was a big hit with the kids. Thanks you letters were sent out to all involved.

**Adult Trips/Activities** – Frank Zaccherio is currently running a Nets game for December 14, 2004 and ran a game on November 6, 2004. For the December

14 game, he pre-purchased 40 tickets to make sure there were available tickets. There was a problem with some tickets for the November 6 game that were delivered to a student but never received by the parent. Frank will make arrangements to credit this parent for another game.

**Basketball** – 1. We have 38 teams--25 boys/13 girls (approx same as past few seasons). However, concern about 3/4 girls for next year. Very few 3rd graders and few girls in the clinic. May have to go 3 grades for girls next year (as has been done in past). We do not want to go co-ed.

2. All teams have received equipment and schedules, and have started practicing.

3. All schools, Building dept, and cheerleaders have our schedules. Game schedules should be on web soon.

4. A letter was sent to all players participating in the clinic advising of starting date and that a parent should remain in the gym.

Season starts 12/4 for boys and clinic. Girls start 12/11 to avoid cheering competition conflict.

New scoreboard is up at Lincoln. Hal has the new controller, and it works fine with both scoreboards.

Scorer/timer clinic 12/1 7pm. (letter will be sent to scorers/timers)  
Ref clinic 12/1 7:30pm

The Rutger's Safety Clinic will be held at Lincoln School on November 29<sup>th</sup> beginning at 6:45 p.m.

Rich DePena will replenish the first aid kits.

**Tennis** – Barry Rubach (568-3946) runs this program.

**Treasurer's Report** - The current balance is \$11,834.00.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 20, 2005.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara DeLuca

cc: Commissioner Storer