**NEXT MEETING: THURSDAY, JANUARY 17, 2008, at 7:00 P.M.** 

## BOARD OF RECREATION RIDGEFIELD PARK, NEW JERSEY NOVEMBER 15, 2007

Vice President Mary Koegel called the meeting to order at 7:05 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 27th day of December, 2006, and to the Star-Ledger on the 27th day of December, 2006. Roll call was taken. Commission members present were: Gil Bell, Hal Bomzer, Tom Essig, Mercedes Haines and Mary Koegel. Carlos Carames, Rich DePena, Lloyd Domke, Diane Maglione, Leigh Rivera and Frank Zaccherio were excused.

A motion was made by Gil Bell and seconded by Hal Bomzer approving the minutes of the October 18, 2007, meeting.

**Correspondence:** Letter from Board of Health dated October 29, 2007, regarding MRSA skin infections.

**Hearing of Citizens:** None present.

Activity reports were as follows:

**Bowling** – Nothing to report.

**Wrestling -** Diane Maglione said her son did receive a flyer at school but no one has contacted her from the high school yet. Charlie Ferrara will be running the program again for the high school. He gave Tom Essig 14 registrations, which are 30 less than last year. Charlie thinks that there may have been a problem with kids bringing home the forms. Tom issued a \$300 check for tournament fees. The only other expense will be trophies and possible pizza party at the end of the season.

**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** – Packets will be ready for distribution in January.

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

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

**Holiday Display Contest** – Flyers will be distributed in the schools the first week of December. There is a notice on the internet created by Madelaine Cappucio. Prizes are being looked into. The contest will be held on December 21. All entrants must first register by December 17.

**Wish Tree** – TD Banknorth is now located at 245 Main Street. Kallie and Kaitlyn Maglione will handle the wish tree.

**Tree Lighting** — The tree lighting will take place on December 2, 2007. Mercedes Haines advised the school's risers are too unstable to use outside. Boulevard Productions will be supplying the rented sound system for the night. Everything else is confirmed. Voorhees will be supplying the bicycle. The scouts in grades K-4 will perform. Notices will be sent to the schools shortly.

**Rag-A-Muffin** – Due to rain on October 27, the parade was held on Sunday October 28 at 2:00 p.m. This seemed to work out well. A list of winners is attached.

This year there were approximately 125 participants. Divisions were are as follows:

 $\begin{array}{lll} \mbox{Division One} - 22 & \mbox{Division Five - 5} \\ \mbox{Division Two} - 16 & \mbox{Division Six - 2} \\ \mbox{Division Three} - 17 & \mbox{Division Seven - 10} \end{array}$ 

Division Four – 26

Father Gene offered to allow the Board to move the Rag-A-Muffin parade's location for the rain date to the sidewalk area around the school. It looks like St. Francis will continue to have their fall festival and both events use the same rain date. This way the participants can line up around the block and parade around the school. He felt that some of the kids couldn't go to the parade because their parents were working the fall festival and of course, more people may be drawn to the fall festival then.

**Adult Trips/Activities** – Nothing planned at this time. Frank Zaccherio is looking into getting tickets for a Nets game.

**Ballroom Dancing** – A flyer was sent out to see if people would like to start classes the end of November. At the last minute, there were 13 people interested in classes, which will start November 25.

**Basketball** – Teams are practicing already. There were some minor problems that have already been corrected. Schedules are almost done. Everyone will start on December 1 except for the Girls 6/7/8 division, which will start on December 5. Hal Bomzer will send the schedules to the schools. The

scoreboard is not up in Grant yet. Hal will check with Mike Dagletz to see when it will be done. Hal has all the medical supplies.

Hal said he explained to everyone at the evaluations that there will be no jewelry allowed this year. He also explained about the treadmill at Lincoln School and the need to stay away from it. There are some students that are helping the program for their community service hours. The Board will supply them with white t-shirts with black lettering.

The coaches' certification class is being held tonight, November 15 at 7:00 p.m. at the Lincoln School library. Leigh Rivera is assisting at the course. Scorer/timers meeting will be on November 28 at 7:00 p.m. Coaches/referees meeting will be at 7:30. Division heads should be there at 7:00 p.m. to start signing up scorers/timers. Letters and a set of guidelines will be sent to the scorers/timers.

**Tennis** – Barry Rubach (568-3946) runs this program. He left a message on the voicemail that he will send a list of all instructors prior to starting up again next year as well as a copy of the flyer for the Board.

**Treasurer's Report** - Beginning balance as of October 2007, was \$14,713.02, total deposits for month was \$5,230.00, total expenses for month were \$385.00, leaving a balance of \$19,558.02. A detailed report is attached.

**New Business** – None at this time.

Old Business - None at this time.

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 17, 2008.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara DeLuca

cc: Commissioner Hugo Poli