

**WESTERN DUPAGE SPECIAL RECREATION ASSOCIATION  
MINUTES OF THE APRIL 18, 2024 MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**I. CALL TO ORDER** – Chairman Brad Wilson **called the meeting to order** at 2:00 p.m. The meeting was held at Fort Hill Activity Center, 20 Fort Hill, Naperville

**ROLL CALL:** Those participating:

Bloomingtondale Park District	Joe Potts	Warrenville Park District	Tim Reinbold
Carol Stream Park District	Sue Rini	West Chicago Park District	Gina Radun
Glen Ellyn Park District	Dave Thommes	Wheaton Park District	Rob Sperl
Naperville Park District	Brad Wilson	Winfield Park District	Tom Bower
Roselle Park District	Nicolette Orlandino		

A quorum was established.

WDSRA Staff also present: Executive Director Dan Leahy, Superintendents Natalie Principe, Tammy Kerrins, Lea Jackman and Jorie Meyer, Executive Assistant Ann Kennedy

**II. INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS** – There were no guests present.

**III. PUBLIC COMMENT** – None

**IV. CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Regular Board Meeting Minutes – February 8, 2024
- B. Regular Board Meeting Minutes – March 14, 2024
- C. Treasurer’s Report – January and February 2024
- D. Disbursement Reports – January and February 2024
- E. Tax Contribution Payment Report – As of March 31, 2024

Reinbold/Rini **moved to approve the Consent Agenda.** The motion passed with a voice vote.

**V. MEMBER DISTRICT UPDATES**

Rini reported that the Carol Stream Park District Foundation will hold its Duck Race fundraiser at Coral Cove Water Park on June 22.

**VI. DIRECTOR’S REPORT –**

- Building: On 4/9 a conference call was held with Wright Engineering concerning the ground study. They needed another 7-10 days for the final report and recommendations. Bower asked if the reports are horrible has consideration been given to scraping the building. Leahy said they would have to see the report and costs and bring it to the Board. Wilson reported that he didn’t get the sense that the situation was that bad. PDRMA won’t move forward with coverage until they see the report.
- Leahy will be at the Rec Symposium at SIU the following week.

**VII. OLD BUSINESS**

**A. Approval of FY 2024-25 Operating Budget** – Rini/Thommes moved that the Board **approve the proposed 2024-2025 Operating Fund Budget as presented.** The motion passed with a roll call vote.

Yes	Bloomingtondale Park District	Joe Potts
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Yes	Glen Ellyn Park District	Dave Thommes
Yes	Naperville Park District	Brad Wilson

Yes	Roselle Park District	Nicolette Orlandino
Yes	Warrenville Park District	Tim Reinbold
Yes	West Chicago Park District	Gina Radun
Yes	Wheaton Park District	Rob Sperl
Yes	Winfield Park District	Tom Bower

**B. Approval of FY 2024-25 Capital Fund Budget – Reinbold/Bower moved that the Board approve the proposed 2024-2025 Capital Fund Budget as presented.** The motion passed with a roll call vote.

Yes	Bloomingtondale Park District	Joe Potts
Yes	Carol Stream Park District	Sue Rini
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Yes	Roselle Park District	Nicolette Orlandino
Yes	Warrenville Park District	Tim Reinbold
Yes	West Chicago Park District	Gina Radun
Yes	Wheaton Park District	Rob Sperl
Yes	Winfield Park District	Tom Bower

**C. Approval of FY 2024-25 Special Revenue Fund Budget – Rini/Thommes moved that the Board approve the proposed 2024-2025 Special Revenue Fund Budget as presented.** The motion passed with a roll call vote.

Yes	Bloomingtondale Park District	Joe Potts
Yes	Carol Stream Park District	Sue Rini
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Yes	Naperville Park District	Brad Wilson
Yes	Roselle Park District	Nicolette Orlandino
Yes	Warrenville Park District	Tim Reinbold
Yes	West Chicago Park District	Gina Radun
Yes	Wheaton Park District	Rob Sperl
Yes	Winfield Park District	Tom Bower

**D. Approval of FY 2024-25 Financial Plan for Capital Expenditures –Thommes/Rini moved that the Board approve the proposed 2024-2025 Financial Plan for Capital Expenditures as presented.** The motion passed with a roll call vote.

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**VIII. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Approve West Chicago Special Request for reimbursement of special recreation expenditures not in their 2023-2024 budget – Bower/Potts moved to approve the request for reimbursement for use of SRA funds by the West Chicago Park District.** The motion passed with a roll call vote.

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Yes	Roselle Park District	Nicolette Orlandino
Yes	Warrenville Park District	Tim Reinbold
Yes	West Chicago Park District	Gina Radun
Yes	Wheaton Park District	Rob Sperl
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**IX. STAFF REPORTS**

**A. Recreation – Superintendent Jorie Meyer reported:**

- Synergy Hawks went to Nationals ranked #1 and finished 4<sup>th</sup>. Varsity A finished 5<sup>th</sup> and Varsity B finished 16<sup>th</sup>.
- Synergy Bocchia is expanding with the partnership with Vaughan PVA.
- The first Pickleball Classic Tournament was held February 25<sup>th</sup> with 30 athletes.
- Spring Break trip went to Cancun with 3 staff members and 10 participants.
- Rec & Roll registration is at 331 with 138 unique participants.
- Focus has been on presenting at local High School and College classes resulting in tons of applications.

**B. Inclusion and Risk Management – Superintendent Tammy Kerrins reported:**

- Waiting on finance for staff costs in winter for final report. There were 383 registrations. The numbers continue to escalate. We are on a trajectory for the biggest year yet.
- Winter evaluations went out to families. We received “Far Exceeds Expectations” in 2 categories.
- Training of Park District staff continues, including Naperville Park District and Service Animal training at Bloomington. Maddy Manden did a podcast with Naperville on inclusion and an inclusive society.
- A staff member was hired for Inclusion Hiring. He has hired 36 people in two months.
- The team is reaching out to current staff about the possibility of returning in the summer.
- Summer training for member districts has been scheduled.

**C. Communications and Development – Superintendent Lea Jackman reported:**

- Thank you to everyone for their Bash support. We are waiting for March financials to close to get the final numbers.
- WDSRA was chosen as a charity of the Franklin Middle School Dodgeball Tournament which culminated in Hero’s Night. We are still to see the proceeds from the tournament but have received a check of \$10,000 from FT Cares Foundation
- Medina 100 Women Who Care chose WDSRA Endowment Scholarship Fund in Memory of Kerry Fitzgerald as their beneficiary.
- Golf sold out in less than 48 hours. There is a wait list of twelve foursomes. We are exploring expansion to a third course. We attribute the Foundation Trustees and Kristy Henson for bringing people in. Hole Sponsorships are still available.

**X. Annual Meeting Items**

**A. Designation of Association General Counsel - Andrew Paine, Tressler, LLC**

Potts/Rini **moved to designate Andrew Paine of Tressler LLC as the General Counsel.** The motion passed with a voice vote.

**B. Selection of Chairman of the Board & Officers for 2024-2025**

Chairman, Lynn McAteer, Roselle Park District  
Vice Chairman, Gina Radun, West Chicago Park District  
Treasurer, Natalie Principe, WDSRA  
Secretary, Dan Leahy, WDSRA

Reinbold/Bower **moved to approve the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Board as proposed.** The motion passed with a voice vote.

**C. Selection of Meeting Dates for the Year**

June 13, 2024  
August 8, 2024  
October 17, 2024  
December 12, 2024  
February 13, 2025  
March 13, 2025  
April 10, 2025

Thommes/Potts **moved to approve the Meeting Dates for the year.** The motion passed with a voice vote.

**D. Selection of Auditors for 2024 – Lauterbach & Amen, LLP (3<sup>rd</sup> year of 3-year agreement)**

Rini/Potts **moved to approve the selection of Lauterbach & Amen, LLP as auditors for 2024.** The motion passed with a voice vote.

**XI. Closed Session:**

Thommes/Rini moved to go into Closed Session at 2:33 pm in accordance with 5ILCS 120/2(c)(1) For the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity. Motion passed by roll call vote.

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Yes	Warrenville Park District	Tim Reinbold
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The Board returned from Closed Session at 2:50 pm. Roll Call

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**XII. Action resulting from Closed Session – Bower/Thommes moved to approve a 6% pay raise over current salary for Executive Director Dan Leahy.** Motion passed with a roll call vote:

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**XIII. Adjournment:** Potts/Rini moved that the Board adjourn at 2:52 pm. Motion passed unanimously with a voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,



Dan Leahy, Board Secretary