

Deerfield Park District
Affiliate Organization Advisory Committee

Minutes of February 18, 2021

The meeting of the Affiliate Organization Advisory Committee was called to order at 6:00 p.m. via Zoom. The following were:

Present: Stuart Slutzky, Keith Londo, Mike Delaney, Ryan Twose, Dan Schwab, Greg Lapin, Jay Zahn, Laura McCarty, Jeff Nehila

Welcome

Welcome Deerfield Youth to Lacrosse

Laura introduced Dan Schwab and welcomed him and Deerfield Youth Lacrosse as the newest Deerfield Park District affiliate organization. Dan thanked everyone for welcoming him to the committee and for the opportunity to grow lacrosse in Deerfield.

Public Comment

No public comment was received prior to the meeting.

Review of Minutes

The committee reviewed the minutes of the November 19, 2020 meeting with no changes.

Review of Upcoming Season Dates for Spring/Summer 2021

AYSO season is scheduled for April 11 – June 6. AYSO summer camp program will begin August 2. Pegasus season dates are late-March, weather permitting, through summer. DYBSA spring dates are April 5 - June 7. DYBSA summer information is forthcoming. Men's soccer will play Friday nights through October. Young Warriors is hoping to have a fall season from August through October. Lacrosse spring season will run from March 1 to June 16. Dan will send Laura information for summer.

Spring Registration Numbers & Field Needs

Laura sent out the district's field needs for spring and summer. The Farmer's Market is planning to return this summer. Staff has been in discussion with them regarding parking and other issues that may arise during baseball games at Jewett Park on Saturday mornings.

AYSO would like to use the 2 big fields at Wilmot and multiple size fields at Mitchell for spring. AYSO will not need any other locations this spring. Staff asked Stuart to put the needs in writing. DYLC would like to use fields at Shepard and Woodland, especially the east field. Dan mentioned that using the back forty at the high school was suggested since that's where the high school boy's lacrosse team plays. DYBSA is also waiting to hear from the high school about using fields for the Wooden Bat Tournament. Staff responded that third party groups probably will not have use of the high school facilities until Phase 5 of Restore Illinois. Ryan asked if it would be possible to use Jewett for some groups and another location for others. Staff responded that they would work with DYBSA on their needs for Wooden Bat.

Update on 2021 Special Events

The Special Events calendar has been updated with all currently schedule park district and affiliate events.

DHS Turf Use for Spring/Summer 2021

Staff has been in contact with Deerfield High School regarding the turf usage for spring/summer. They are currently not allowing for use of the turf, but they will contact us when they have information regarding use for next year.

Review of Policy #5011

Board Liaison Lapin shared Board Policy #5011 relating to annual reporting requirements to the Park Board for Affiliate Organizations.

Other Items

Weather Policy

Staff reviewed the Weather Policy with guidelines to assist affiliates in making a decision on whether to use a field or not. Staff asked that affiliates use good judgment as well when making a decision. Staff also asked that affiliates report any field issues such as holes, broken glass etc. to the park district.

Other

Jewett Park Feedback

Board Liaison Lapin mentioned that he would love to hear feedback from the affiliates about the condition of Jewett Park fields after rainfalls. With the new drainage tiles installed in the renovation, all are hoping the field dry quickly.

There being no additional business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:29 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, July 15, 2021.