

FAMILIES, PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD
Tuesday, February 18, 2014

A meeting of the Families, Parks and Recreation Advisory Board was held on Tuesday, February 18, 2014 at Mayor Carl T. Langford Park / Neighborhood Center, Orlando, Florida.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Rachel Andre
Stephanie Appel
Wendy Mathisen
Gregory Reynolds
Gary Hasson
Celeste Thomas

MEMBERS ABSENT

Joseph Yarid
Latria Leak
Maria Caban

STAFF PRESENT

Stacy Anne Mahar, Executive Assistant
Peter Effaldana, Cultural Arts Manager
John Perrone, Parks Division Manager
Krista Gray, Neighborhood Center Manager

CALL TO ORDER

Rachel Andre called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No one from the public requested to speak before the Board.

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

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Approval of minutes for the January 21, 2014 meeting was moved by Gregory Reynolds and seconded by Stephanie Appel, and unanimously approved.

FUNDING REQUESTS

Applicant/Organization:	MADD
Amount Requested:	\$850.00
Purpose of Funds:	Park rental / permits
Date of Event:	March 29, 2014
Location:	Lake Baldwin Park

Melissa Crowley from Mothers Against Drunk Driving Central Florida (MADD) provided a brief overview of the March 29, 2014 event. Mothers Against Drunk Driving Central Florida will hold its 3rd Annual Central Florida Walk Like MADD 5k at Lake Baldwin Park on March 29, 2014. The purpose is to raise awareness and support for the programs and services provided by MADD Central Florida thereby helping to eliminate drunk driving, prevent underage drinking and support the victims of this crime in Central Florida. A motion was made by Gregory Reynolds to approve the amount of \$850.00 and seconded by Celeste Thomas to cover City costs associated with this event. The vote carried unanimously.

LOCH HAVEN BANNER REQUESTS

Applicant/Organization: **Fringe Festival**

Jae Nale from the Fringe Festival came before the Board to request permission to hold the 23rd Annual Orlando Fringe Festival at Loch Haven Park from May 14, 2014 – May 27, 2014. The Orlando International Fringe Festival is an unjuried theatre festival that draws over 30,000 patrons who enjoy about 80 shows, hundreds of pieces of visual art and dozens of children's shows during the festival.

It was moved by Celeste Thomas and seconded by Wendy Mathisen for the approval of usage of the park during May 14 – 27, 2014. The motion carried unanimously.

REPORTS

Krista Gray, Neighborhood Center Manager reported on behalf of Rodney Williams. Mrs. Gray reported that on Thursday, February 19th Reeves Terrace Recreation Site will host their “Annual Black History Poetry & Essay Writing Contest” and on February 25th the site will host a 3 on 3 MLK Basketball Tournament at Reeves Terrace basketball courts. Krista went on to report that two other popular events are the 2014 Callahan Weight Loss Challenge held every Thursday in February at the Callahan Center during with participants dance to become fit, lose inches, and receive resistance training, nutrition tips, core conditioning, and strength training. The classes are free to all participants. Lastly, Krista reported that the John H. Jackson Community Center offers a Tiny Tot Cinema program every Tuesday and Thursday starting at 10:30 a.m. during which local daycare centers, early learning centers, and anyone with a preschool aged child may participate in a fun free field-trip.

John Perrone reported on the great turn out on February 15, 2014 at the annual Wetlands Festival in Christmas, Florida with an estimated attendance of 4,500 throughout the day. John also informed the Board that on January 29, 2014, contractors were given the notice proceed with construction at Park of Americas.

John also reported that on Saturday, February 22, 2014, the 5th Annual E-Waste Recycling Day will be held at Orlando Festival Park from 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. The public is invited to bring old electronics to the park to be recycled. Also, on Saturday, March 1, 2014, the 2nd Annual Bark and Brew event will be held at Harbor Park. This dog friendly event features pet vendors, pet contests, music and beer sampling from 3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 11:23 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Stacy Anne Mahar

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Board Secretary