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ADVISORY BOARD MEETING AGENDA
Wednesday, September 15, 2021
5:15 p.m. – 6:15 p.m.

1. Call to Order:

Julie Jensen called the meeting to order at 5:15 pm

2. Advisory Board Attendance: Derek Andersen, Darren Dunn, Samantha Duvall, Yvette Flores, Julie Jensen, Daniel Reyes and Emma Pena McCleave.

Staff: Brecken Arnold, Recreation Supervisor and Scott Schuttenberg, Recreation Superintendent

Absentees: None

3. Approval of Minutes: Julie Jensen moved to approve the Wednesday, August 18, 2021 minutes. Emma Pena-McCleave seconded the motion and the Advisory Board approved the Wednesday, August 18, 2021 minutes.

4. Old Business:

Facilities:

The Rodarte Community Center passed the first Child Care inspection this month through Weld County. Anna Gimmestad-reopened on August 16, 2021 and is thriving. The seniors groups are back in full force and we are accepting rentals again.

Programs:

After School Program-We have aligned ourselves with the School District and we are requiring masks, taking temperatures and utilizing the school desks again. The Rodarte Community Center has 52 registered youth and Anna Gimmestad has 27 registered youth for the After School Program. We are focusing on professional development for part time and full time employees. All employees were trained through Darkness to Light, which is focused on child molestation and prevention. Full time employees are taking online trainings through the State. Current training is “Calming chaos by promoting positive behavior”

We are also resuming parent nights this month and meeting with the Family Center and 21st CCLC Coordinator to reestablish the partnership.

Boxing-

There are 8 youth and 1 adult currently registered.

Special Events:

-Neighborhood event October 1, 2021 from 4-6 pm with the Billie Neighborhood Task Force.

-East Greeley Grand Opening for Parks is Saturday, October 2, 2021 from 3-6 pm

5. New Business

a) Board Recommendations for 2021-2022: City staff and the Rodarte Advisory Board had a discussion on the direction for the 2021-2022 school year for the Rodarte Community Center. City staff will come with a 2021-2022 calendar of events to the next meeting, alongside current and future goals for the Rodarte Community Center. Goals discussed are below.

Short Term (1 year)

- Comply with Colorado Department of Human Services childcare licensing daily by understanding rules regulations and policies by passing annual inspections.
- Re-open Anna Gimmestad in August of 2021.
- Resume Rodarte Senior Groups, GED classes and rentals of the Rodarte Community Center in August/September of 2021.
- Resume parent nights in the fall of 2021 to increase parent engagement.
- Incorporate and integrate the seven dimensions of wellness into out of school time programming.
- Research, apply and secure outside funding through a grant, sponsorship or partnership for reimbursement of part-time salaries, including the Summer Teen Employment Program.
- Support and assist a successful project for the interior remodel of the kitchen and restrooms completion by December 2021 with Public Works.
- Assist with the purchasing of two new busses (one in 2021 and one in 2022) to transport students with appropriate logos and appealing marketing to youth with a secured place to park them.
- Open Saturdays to offer programming from 10 am-5 pm.
- Life skills curriculum purchased and in place with volunteers from UNC/AIMS.
- Secure a sponsor for the boxing program that commits every year to at least \$5,000.00.
- Complete functional library with up-to-date books and check out system with the High Plains Library District.
- Technology updates-Projectors, smartboards for classroom spaces.

Long Term (5-10 Years)

- Vision of collaboration of BGC, FFP that covers north, east, west, south and central Greeley.
- Anna Gimmestad-mini Rodarte Center with outdoor basketball courts.
- Gymnasium upgrades
- Master Plan for the Rodarte Community Center and Youth Enrichment.
- Additional programming for: Youth Development, teens, cooking/nutrition classes, community garden expansion for intergenerational partnership, cultural and substance abuse programming focuses.

6. Agenda Items for Next Meeting

- a) Programming and facilities
- b) 2021-2022 goals and calendar of events
- c) Board recommendations

7. Next Meeting Date and Location:

Wednesday, October 20, 2021 at Rodarte Community Center from 5:15-6:15pm

8. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 6:25 pm

Secretary-Brecken Arnold

Chair-Derek Andersen