

AGENDA
REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

EAST BAY REGIONAL PARK DISTRICT

Tuesday, June 5, 2018

D. BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD

8. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

d. Operations (Thursday, March 29, 2018) _____ (Wieskamp)

Present

Board: Directors Ayn Wieskamp (Chair), Dennis Waespi, Ellen Corbett

Staff: Dr. Ana Alvarez, Jim O'Connor, Anne Kassebaum, Ruby Tumber, Dave Mason, Juliana Schirmer, Denise Valentine, Jaimee Rizzotti, Steve Castile

Guests: Judi Bank

Agenda Item 1: Review Diablo Foothills/Castle Rock Arabians Agreement: Diablo Foothills Regional Park

Assistant General Manager Jim O'Connor provided an update through a PowerPoint presentation. Items in the presentation covered location, historical background, review of the current operator and grounds.

Director Corbett inquired if there are changes to the terms of the agreement, or if there is language included regarding maintenance. O'Connor replied yes.

Director Waespi inquired if Ms. Dupont boards horses at the facility. O'Connor replied no. Dupont houses her horses across the street on her own property. Waespi inquired if utilities are used on the property. O'Connor replied that Dupont does not use any utilities.

Director Wieskamp inquired if there is a report on how many people are served by the arena. O'Connor replied that staff could gather the data to distribute to the committee members.

Corbett inquired if the District maintains liability insurance. O'Connor replied yes. The intent of the special use agreements is to establish those conditions, under which the District allows use to occur.

Corbett moved to approve and recommend to the full Board the staff recommendation of a five-year agreement for continued seasonal use and maintenance of the Special Use area located above

the Orchard staging area in Diablo Foothills Regional Park, with the reduced use fee of \$100 annually for the seasonal use of the Special Use area. A low fee is being accessed due to the year-round maintenance completed by Ms. Dupont. There is no cost involved to the District. Waespi seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item 2: District-wide Community Engagement

Community Services Coordinator Jaimee Rizzotti provided an update on a variety of community engagement programs through a PowerPoint presentation. Items in the presentation included: an overview on outdoor recreation, partnership, grant funds, environmental education, mobile education, community outreach programs, clinical partnerships, senior programs, community engagement initiatives, the District Parks Express Bus program, workforce diversification, YEP, Black Diamond Mines Interpretive internships, youth job fairs, community input, and authentic engagement.

Corbett requested to view more information on the schools that are connecting with the District. Rizzotti responded that the lists of schools for 2017 can be forwarded via email. Corbett recommended Stepping Stones Growth Center as a resource.

Corbett inquired if staff works with the District planners for flyers and notifications. Rizzotti replied she worked directly with Project Manager Toby Perry on this project. Corbett inquired if flyers have been sent directly to schools. Rizzotti replied yes, however, school districts have strict requirements for the flyers they're allowed to post. One route the District utilizes to advertise is through the school career center contacts.

Waespi commented on the possibility of offering student labor jobs to people with disabilities.

Wieskamp offered Board assistance and welcomed staff questions in relation to new opportunities.

O'Connor emphasized that many newer programs are a result of the youth engagement study the District contracted with San Francisco State University. There were 46 recommendations that came out of the study and there is an ongoing task force that continually meets to implement those recommendations. Staff is using this study as a road map to move forward.

Corbett commented there might be an opportunity through the Legislative committee for policy changes for cooperative work between Park Districts and other organizations when it comes to crafting curriculums. O'Connor replied staff can explore that.

Public Comments

Judi Bank commented that the programs reviewed today were impressive.

AGM Comments

- Dumbarton Quarry Campground – reviewing operational, start-up, and staffing costs. Working with Dumbarton Quarry Associates (DQA) to complete three month permits.

- Bridge Yard Building at Gateway Park projects – closed the Request for Qualifications for the concession on March 28th. Three submittals were received. Fully engaged with CalTrans on the design of the Pier.
- At the next Committee meeting, Public Safety will provide a presentation to the Committee.

Board Comments

There were no Board comments.

Meeting adjourned at 1:16 p.m.