

AGENDA  
REGULAR MEETING  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

EAST BAY REGIONAL PARK DISTRICT

Tuesday, September 4, 2018

C. BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD

6. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

b. Operations (Thursday, July 19, 2018) \_\_\_\_\_ (Wieskamp)

Present

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

Staff: Jim O'Connor, Ruby Tumber, Kelly Barrington, Dan Sykes, Darren Breese, Anne Kassebaum, Renee Patterson, Mimi Waluch, Dave Zuckermann, Sergio Huerta, Matt Graul, Mary Ellen Avery, Joe Sullivan, Denise Valentine

Guests: Judi Bank

**Agenda Item 1: Park Operations Parkland Unit Update: Trail Maintenance in the Wildcat Creek Watershed**

Parkland Unit Manager Dan Sykes provided an update on trail maintenance through a PowerPoint presentation. Items in the presentation covered impacts in watersheds, visitor statistics, slope destabilization and erosion, habitat damage, trail damage, holistic approach, trail design and realignment, erosion control, habitat restoration, community engagement, natural events and vandalism, mechanical equipment, and the Wildcat Gorge project.

Director Corbett inquired if trail care information is provided when permits are issued for day camps. Sykes replied information is provided for all special and day camp events. The day camp sponsors meet with the park supervisor to review rules and must comply per the permit.

Director Waespi inquired if the watershed maps are available on the website. Sykes replied affirmatively.

Waespi questioned how the rules are enforced in such a park. Sykes commented that enforcement is a challenge. Park staff are the first line of contact to the public and the first step is contacting individuals to provide general information, brochures, but also stay in communication with District Public Safety on issues that arise. Items are also discussed regularly with District Public Safety at the Unit Manager's meetings.

Waespi inquired on the status of fish at Wildcat Creek. Fisheries Manager Joe Sullivan replied native rainbow trout are in the creek.

Director Wieskamp inquired on how long it would take for silt to fill in spaces where needed. Park Ranger Darren Breese replied if fencing is installed around the area, the silt can fill in in one season.

Wieskamp inquired if split fencing is being installed to keep dogs out of the area. Breese replied that wire mesh is installed behind the split rail to keep dogs out.

## **Agenda Item 2: Update District-wide Archery Ranges**

Administrative Analyst II Renee Patterson provided an update on the archery ranges through a PowerPoint presentation. Items in the presentation covered locations, staff, types of operations/activity, and revenue.

Waespi inquired if there any other archery ranges in the bay area. AGM of Operations Jim O'Connor replied there are three in Santa Clara County.

Corbett inquired if booking an appointment is required. Patterson replied no.

Wieskamp inquired if there are any safety concerns. Patterson replied users must apply for a special use permit, which carries its own insurance. If the requirements are not met, the permit is not issued. For the two courses currently open to the public, there have been no issues that we are aware of to date.

Waespi inquired if requests are received requesting an expansion of archeries. Waluch replied staff has received an inquiry, however, the District is well covered with the two existing archery locations. The members of Redwood Bowman Archery Club and Briones Archery can use their memberships at each other's facilities. This is a consensual agreement between the memberships.

## **Agenda Item 3: Outdoor Recreation Program Update**

Regional Interpretive & Recreation Services Manager David Zuckermann and Outdoor Recreation Supervisor Mary Ellen Avery provided an overview of the Outdoor Recreation Unit through a PowerPoint presentation. Items in the presentation covered the program purpose, staffing, programs, outreach, co-op, areas of coverage, Park'n It Partner Week, Tee-Eco Action Week, Adventure Crew, Camps-to-Community, and grants.

Corbett mentioned a recent conversation with District Attorney Nancy O'Malley who expressed interest in seeing where the funds for Cosco Busan were applied. Corbett requested staff to forward O'Malley information on the work that has been completed.

## **Public Comments**

Judi Banks commented on the expanded growth of the Outreach program since her time served on the Park Advisory Committee.

## **AGM Comments**

- The August Committee meeting has been moved to August 9, 2018.

- Eric Bowman has been hired as the new Maintenance Superintendent in the MAST Department.

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### **Board Comments**

There were no Board comments.

Meeting adjourned at 1:50 p.m.