

Meeting Minutes for February 3, 2014

Mike Saylor called the meeting to order

In attendance: Mike Saylor, Mike Harris, Doris Oliver, Brad Epperley, Charlton McCoy, Mary Critzer, Brad Mecom, Tonia Winn, Jim Williamson, Logan Atkins, Michael Lancianese, Morgan Penturff

The minutes from the last meeting were approved

No citizen comments

Brad shared the highlights from the January monthly report:

- 6115 total active memberships in January, that is 115 more memberships than in December 2013
- Attendance increased 3,645 from December 2013 for a total of 12,117
- Youth basketball is currently on going and baseball/softball registration is also going on now
- Football helmets are back with only 10 being denied so we will have to purchase at least 10 new ones for the next football season
- For basketball this season we had one of the walking track lanes blocked off so that the participants can walk around without affecting the walker/runner participants on busy basketball nights. This is a definite step in the right direction to give more organization and direction for people.
- 30 minute Arms and Abs has 25 participants, P90 rec is doing great with 21 participants, and Total Body Cardio has 19 participants
- We also set up a booth at the VT Wellness Fair with close to 600 VT employees come through to give out our information to them. This was a great way to reach out and let them know more about us
- Senior Aerobics has 23 participants
- The blood drive had a good turn out this month with 30 people come to give blood
- Our new program Natural healing using food as medicine had 8 participants
- Trip takers luncheon winners were Alfred and Beulah Tickle with 3,211.2 miles traveled this year with the Recreation Center trips
- Adult basketball is doing very well this year with 9 fastbreak teams, 8 slowbreak teams, and 5 church league teams. This is the most teams we have had for adult league in a long time
- There will be a Radford University baseball clinic at Harkrader on March 12. Also we are having a Drive, Chip and Putt competition at Auburn Hills Golf Club on April 5
- January 22 we met with Nations baseball to discuss the World Series this year and it was a very productive meeting. Tuesday, July 8 will be the opening ceremonies and the games will be July

9-13. They have projected that we will have 80 teams with ½ of those teams being from outside the region who are guaranteed to be here at least 4 nights

- Challengers program is ages 5-18 with signups going on now. This will be a very laid back environment for everyone with the parents or a buddy helping each child while they are playing baseball. This is a great experience for everyone involved
- We are still in the planning stages for Jill's Buddy Camp right now looking at different activities for the children do to each day of the camp
- Brad showed the commission a video Jared has done for the Recreation Department to showcase all aspects of the Department
- We are still collecting surveys and right now have close to 600 turned in. This is a great opportunity for people to give their opinions, concerns, wants and needs for the future of the Recreation Department. We want to give the community what they want and need. We want to become more multipurpose for the community and meet as many recreational needs as possible, especially with the new property

Meeting adjourned. Next meeting will be held March 3, 2014.