

**MINUTES FROM THE CHRISTIANSBURG PARKS AND RECREATION  
ADVISORY COMMISSION MEETING OF MONDAY, FEBURARY 6, 2012.**

Diane Fenton called meeting to order.

Minutes to last Recreation Commission meeting approved.

No citizens' comments.

Report from Assistant Director Charlton McCoy.

Monthly report for January programs are as scheduled.

Diane Fenton asked if there was any new business.

Mike Barber talked about helmet report that was in the Roanoke Times.

He thinks we should set parameters on what they are allowed to do during practice.

Charlton McCoy reported that he talked with Chris Slusser from Montgomery County Parks and Recreation about the report and that less than 1% of hits qualified as concussion style hits. They also talked about not being able to monitor every practice to make sure that they type of hitting was not happening. And that High School football does full contact 3 out of 5 days of the week. We may need some brain storming sessions with the Recreation Center staff, but we do use the Schutt helmets and they are top quality helmets that are reconditioned every year. Chris Slusser told Charlton that he is going to bring this up at the area Recreation Department meeting in the spring/summer so that maybe we can get an area policy.

Charlton McCoy reported that the Recreation Center has only had one concussion reported in the past three years.

There were thoughts on maybe using this report/documentary as a teaching tool for coaches. Mike Barber suggested children under the age of 10 playing flag football so that they have the chance to learn and not get hurt.

Mike Sailors also agrees that it should be a more controlled atmosphere.

Charlton McCoy said we would get with the County Recreation staff and come up with ideas and bring them back to the commission. And also if anyone on the Commission had any ideas to feel free to email them to him.

Diane Fenton reported that Varsity football does not hit the day before a game and the Monday after.

Charlton McCoy stated that the DVD training video has been ordered for the baseball coaches training and the All-Star policy is being handed to every player that signs up for baseball.

Mike Barber reported on Town Councils thoughts on the handbook for youth sports and they only had a few very minor changes.

Mike Barber brought up the children ages that are allowed in the Recreation Center alone.

He stated that he had talked with Ken Goodyear from Radford Parks and Recreation about their policy and they have children under a certain age have to be out of the building two hours before closing. If parents haven't picked up child an hour before closing then parents are called, if parent is not there at closing a Police officer takes child home.

Charlton McCoy confirmed that the Recreation Center Front Desk Supervisor calls parents when building closes, and that they would never leave a child alone, but this has never really been an issue for the staff.

Tonia Winn and Mary Critzer bring up the liability to have a child in police car.

There was a round table discussion on when to post Recreation Commission meeting minutes. Charlton McCoy is going to check into when they can be posted, but Town policy is for any meeting minutes not to be posted until they have been approved by that Board.

Mike Barber wants the meeting minutes to be sent to the Commission as soon as they are typed up.

Charlton McCoy will have Chuck Muncy update the Commission at the next meeting about World Series.

There was no further business. Diane Fenton adjourned the meeting.

Members Present:      Diane Fenton  
                            Doris Oliver  
                            Mary Critzer  
                            Mike Saylor  
                            Jim Williamson  
                            Tonia Winn  
                            Mike Barber  
                            Morgan Fenton  
                            Charlton McCoy, Assistant Director of Parks and Recreation Center