

## **Youth Sports Advisory Board**

Meeting Minutes for March 11<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 7:00 PM

Patrick Henry Recreation Center

### Attendees:

Jim Gibson  
Danny Organek  
Paul Miller

Tamika Coleman  
Jeff Murphy  
Jeff Newhouse

Bill Campbell  
John Timmons

Dennis Burstein  
Chris Mackay

### Guests:

James Parker  
Darryl Bruce  
Margaret Orlando  
Dan Roush  
Marrk Wysocki  
Tom Camerlinck

1. A tour of the new recreation center was held.
2. Darryl Bruce, Assistant Director of Athletics at Bishop Ireton High School, was introduced. He spoke about his background, current duties, and goals.
3. James Parker, Director of Athletics & Student Activities for Alexandria City Public Schools, was introduced. He spoke about his background, current duties, and goals.
4. The Alexandria Sportsman's Club's next meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at the Old Dominion Boat Club. Outstanding school athletes will be recognized.
5. Program discussions were held regarding:
  - a. Rugby
  - b. Track & Field
  - c. Basketball
  - d. Soccer
  - e. Baseball
  - f. Wrestling
  - g. Softball
  - h. Football
  - i. Swimming
6. The next YSAB meeting will be held on April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2019.
7. The meeting adjourned 8:33 PM.

## **Youth Sports Advisory Board**

Meeting Minutes for April 8th, 2019 at 7:00 PM

Mount Vernon Recreation Center

### **Attendees:**

Jim Gibson  
John W. Timmons

Tamika Coleman  
Tommy Park

Don Simpson  
Kevin McDermott

Tom Camerlinck  
Jeff Newhouse

### **Guests:**

Jack Browand

Beth Znidersic

Margaret Orlando

Dan Roush

1. City CIP & ACPS News – discussions led by Jack Browand and Beth Znidersic
  - a. ACPS has endorsed the use of the old Patrick Henry Elementary School as swing space for the renovation of MacArthur Elementary School. This would delay the development of the recreational open space at the site by four years.
  - a. The schedule for other field renovations would also be affected if this decision is approved by the City Council.
  - b. The conversion of Boothe Park to artificial turf (and other site improvements) would become an FY20 project.
  - c. The renovation of Hensley Park would follow the completion of Boothe.
  - d. Brief discussions were held regarding Four Mile Soccer, ACES, Chinquapin, GWMS, and Simpson.
2. Scholarship Program – discussion led by Margaret Orlando
  - a. Prior year synopsis
  - b. Budget reduction this year
  - c. Submission deadline
  - d. New affiliate – youth football – will be eligible this year
3. Program discussions were held regarding:
  - a. Lacrosse
  - b. Soccer
  - c. Softball
4. Facility Maintenance – Dan Roush led a brief discussion.
5. Event - The Alexandria Sportsman's Club's will be hosting one of the biggest sports nights and charity events of the year in the City of Alexandria - the 64th Annual Awards Banquet at the Westin Alexandria Hotel near the Federal Courthouse. More than 30 of Alexandria's best high school athletes will be recognized and nearly \$40,000 in college scholarship money will be awarded to outstanding student-athletes from the City's four high schools.
6. The next YSAB meeting will be held on May 13th, 2019.
7. The meeting adjourned 8:19 PM.

## **Youth Sports Advisory Board**

Meeting Minutes for May 13th, 2019 at 7:00 PM

Mount Vernon Recreation Center

### **Attendees:**

Jim Gibson	Tamika Coleman	Dennis Burstein	Robert Brian McPherson
Jeff Murphy	Danny Organek	Bill Campbell	Richard Stone
L.D. Platt	Jeff Newhouse		

### **Guests:**

Margaret Orlando - DRPCA

1. ACPS – discussions were held regarding:
  - a. Its connection to the programs run by DRPCA
  - b. Its connection to program run by Affiliates
  - c. Developing better relationships with ACPS coaches and assistants
  - d. Working with DRPCA to maximize use of facilities
  - e. Reminding prospective fall athletes that summertime physicals and paperwork will be needed
  - f. The need for YSAB to again endorse TCW stadium lights as this struggle heads to court
2. DRPCA - discussions were held regarding:
  - a. Working with affiliates to maximize use of facilities
  - b. Working with new software to maximize use of facilities
  - c. The deadline for Affiliates to submit scholarship documentation
3. Affiliates – program updates were provided regarding:
  - a. Softball
  - b. Rugby
  - c. Soccer
  - d. Baseball
  - e. Swimming
  - f. Wrestling
  - g. Track & Field
4. Miscellaneous- discussions were held regarding:
  - a. Upcoming major maintenance at Chinquapin Pool
  - b. Long term facility planning
  - c. Open space planning
  - d. Board development
5. The next YSAB meeting will be held on June 10th, 2019.

The meeting adjourned 8:13 PM.

## **Youth Sports Advisory Board**

Meeting Minutes for September 9th, 2019 at 7:00 PM

Mount Vernon Recreation Center

### **Attendees:**

Jim Gibson, Tamika Coleman, Dennis Burstein, Mike Scheuble, L.D. Platt, Don Simpson, Danny Organek, Bill Campbell, John Timmons, Tommy Park, and Jeff Newhouse

### **Guests:**

Margaret Orlando and Dan Roush - DRPCA

1. T.C. Williams High School Stadium Update
  - a. Project has been delayed because of lengthy contract ratification process.
  - b. The addition of lights has been tabled pending court decisions.
  - c. All other improvements will be constructed.
  - d. Groundbreaking will occur this fall with an exact date unclear.
2. Objectives for 2019-2020
  - a. Council members will be invited to future meetings.
  - b. Coaches, athletic directors, and assistant athletic directors will be invited to future meetings.
  - c. Mr. Campbell mentioned that there is a joint effort between ACPS and the city's Health Department regarding the development of a strategic plan. Research into this will determine whether this Board can provide input.
3. Best Practices Topics & Schedule
  - a. Discussions were held regarding affiliates interactions with school athletics.
  - b. Discussions were held regarding several youth sports associations that do not have representation on this board.
  - c. Ms. Coleman spoke about her coach recruiting efforts.
  - d. Mr. Organek spoke about his outreach efforts with GWMS in securing facility use for the wrestling program.
  - e. A discussion was held regarding outreach, be it web-based, governmental newsletters or local press.
4. Program Updates
  - a. Swimming – the team advanced to a higher division and performed well with over 175 participants. 35 were selected as all-stars.
  - b. Rugby – summer season did well in state competitions. Fall rugby will have 75 participants, ages 4-14. Preparations are beginning for the spring tackle program. GWMS will host a state competition.
  - c. Soccer – a group of coaches, players, and parents attended several World Cup games in France. The boys' academy program had a state champion and a regional champion.
5. Miscellaneous- discussions were held regarding:
  - a. Board chairmanship – Mr. Gibson is seeking his replacement.
  - b. The DRPCA's athletic field master-planning efforts have been delayed by staff turnover.
  - c. A discussion was held regarding the possible realignment of Lenny Harris field.

The meeting adjourned 8:20 PM.

## **Youth Sports Advisory Board**

Meeting Minutes for October 21st, 2019 at 7:00 PM  
Mount Vernon Recreation Center

### **Attendees:**

Jim Gibson, Dennis Burstein, Mike Scheuble, and Jeff Newhouse

### **Guests:**

Margaret Orlando – DRPCA  
Marvin Elliott – DRPCA

1. Program Updates – brief updates were provided regarding football, lacrosse, swimming, and soccer programs.
2. Miscellaneous- discussions were held regarding:
  - a. Armistead Boothe Park – funding for conversion to artificial turf has been approved.
  - b. November meeting – we hope to have athletic directors attend.
  - c. December meeting – we will be celebrating volunteers and hope to include a status update on the athletic field masterplan.

The meeting adjourned 7:28 PM.

## Youth Sports Advisory Board

Meeting Minutes for December 9, 2019 at 7:00 PM

Mount Vernon Recreation Center

### Attendees:

Jim Gibson, Tamika Coleman, Danny Organek, Dennis Burstein, Mike Scheuble, Jeff Murphy, and Jeff Newhouse

### Guests:

Jack Browand & Ana Vicinanzo – DRPCA

Emil LaSida – Alexandria Chinquapin Wahoos

Mark Wysocki & Claudia Fletcher – Alexandria Soccer Association

Brian Donegan & Kevin McDermott – Alexandria Lacrosse Club

1. Volunteer Recognition
  - a. Dennis Burstein presented a volunteer recognition certificates to Emil LaSida and Maya Solis (could not be present).
  - b. Mark Wysocki presented a volunteer recognition certificate to Claudia Fletcher.
  - c. Mike Scheuble presented a volunteer recognition certificates to Brian Donegan and Kevin McDermott.
2. Athletic Field Masterplan Update - Ana Vicinanzo spoke regarding:
  - a. The 2009 masterplan study
  - b. The 2019 initiation of the follow-up evaluation/study
    - i. Consultant will be used.
    - ii. Youth sports associations have been requested to forward field use data.
  - c. The current fiscal year CIP allocation and future fiscal year proposals through 2023
    - i. Luckett Field restroom building
      1. Funding was transferred from the Minnie Howard restroom building budget.
      2. Building will be installed between outfield fence and skatepark.
    - ii. Acceleration of artificial turf conversion at Armistead Boothe Park and ancillary improvements
      1. Accelerated due to MacArthur ES/Patrick Henry ES swing- space construction strategy approach (i.e. Patrick Henry ES athletic fields will not be ready for use until 2023)
      2. Softball/rectangular field overlay configuration
      3. Existing lighting to be evaluated for possible upgrade
      4. Restroom building (4 season – no winter shut down)
      5. Possible groundbreaking in June 2020
    - iii. Joseph Hensley Park – renovation plans undergoing revisions due to:
      1. Rail right-of-way & property line legal research requirements
      2. Wetland delineation challenges
      3. Interstate 95 buffer requirements
    - iv. Ben Brenman Park – artificial turf replacement planning
    - v. Witter Park - artificial turf replacement planning
    - vi. Simpson Park
      1. Rectangular field infrastructure renovation planning
      2. Lighting has been approved, but is not funded.

3. Major CIP improvements (lighting & artificial turf) are difficult to implement because of stormwater management challenges and potential ACPS school construction.
- vii. Minnie Howard campus re-construction will take its athletic field offline for three years.
- viii. MacArthur ES re-construction will take its athletic field (small) offline for two years.
- ix. George Mason ES re-construction (CIP outer years) will take its athletic field offline for two years.

The meeting adjourned 8:07 PM.