

Norwich Recreation Council Meeting MINUTES from  
March 6, 2018 7pm - Held at the new Norwich Police / Fire / Safety building

Members Present: Kristin Fauci, Page Tompkins, Bill Tine, Rob Johnson, Jill Collins,  
Ryan Gardner, Amy Tuller, Jill Kearney Niles  
Guest: Brie Swensen

Minutes of last month were approved.

Phil is retiring but is filling in as Acting Town Manager, due to Herb having a car accident. Steve Leinoff is retiring from the Fire Department. There will be a celebration on Friday afternoon at the Fire Department. John Girard will be finishing his Recreation Council term. The position will be posted by Miranda on the Town website. Discussed ideas for people to fill position. Jill K-N will contact potential candidates, particularly if we receive no applicants.

Sub-groups reports: Rob reported that he has put together a basketball survey in Google Forms. Kristin reports that trails group has put up signs.  
Programs: Ryan sent out a document on principles and practices. He will recirculate that, as there was no feedback. Hoping to move toward further edits and adoption of it.

Jill K N who is currently serving as the UVRA President, was contacted by a Thetford parent recently. Some parents in Thetford were apparently not happy that at the Lyme holiday tournament a couple of the Thetford players never made it onto the court during their final play-off game. Equal playing time in youth sports, including tournament play, is now on the agenda for the next UVRA meeting on April 10th at 9am in Norwich - Tracy Hall.

Director's report: We have mountain biking, youth yoga, baseball, lacrosse, adult yoga. May not be offering boys running due to no coaches available. Only 6 participants last year.

Brie suggested Wayne Norse as a coach for the program & that will be followed up on as a possibility.

Still searching for K and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade baseball coaches.

Lars Blackmore made new Halloween posters which are beautiful and will be put up in back of Tracy Hall

Lucinda Walker asked for input on Community Forum for redesigning the NPL on Saturday, March 10<sup>th</sup> from 1-3 pm.

Jill K N discussed possible new background check for coaches through Sports Engine which appears more comprehensive/thorough than current background check. Would include an expense, where current check is free. Jill will discuss with Doug Robinson.

Brie and Jill met to discuss fund raiser for ski tracking equipment and this will need to be postponed. Plan to discuss during off season, perhaps for next year  
Next meeting Tuesday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> @ 7pm back in Tracy Hall.