

Norwich Recreation Council Meeting MINUTES from February 5, 2019

Present: Jill Niles, Jill Collins, Kristin Fauci, David Bartlett, Ryan Gardner, Rob Johnson, Sarah Martin, Bill Tine

Review of minutes. Dave Bartlett moved to approve. Seconded by Sarah Martin. Approved unanimously

Mud Season is close to finalized. Coaching, dates and times need to be finalized.

- 1st grade basketball coaches are confirmed
 - Jen Krawitt, Molly Gentine
- Girls on the Run – brief discussion on how to ensure retention of girls for 4th and 5th grade.
 - Jill to follow up with potential volunteer coaches to help build more help
- Lacrosse
 - 3rd-6th Girls: Jill Collins, Kristin Fauci, Stephen Loughman coaches
 - 3rd – 6th Boys: Jill N working on confirming coaching volunteers
- Babysitters training course is full with 6 on the waitlist.

Skating party was a tremendous success. Estimated 150+ attendees. Norwich Farms Creamery kindly donated hot chocolate. PTO has collected great feedback and will consolidate feedback in preparation for next year's event.

Huntley Field trash removal – Jill will follow up with Larry to ensure this stays on the schedule.

Huntley Field cross country ski grooming update – New equipment is required to maintain the trails. Gered Dunne and Jill Niles have researched options for equipment and looked into alternative uses to gain as much benefit as possible from the purchase. \$4000 purchase of ski tracker, from the recreation facilities improvement fund.

Proposal discussed around Norwich Recreation supporting a Norwich swim team, using Storrs Pond as the facility and operations location. Storrs Pond can support the program with lifeguards and insurance. Coaching will need to be investigated. Cost will be another area that needs investigating.

Succession planning for the Recreation Director was discussed. Candidates have sent in their applications. All candidates applications were sent to interview committee on February 5. March 29 is Jill Niles last day as Recreation Director. March 4 is the planned start date for the new Director.

Motion to Adjourn by Bill, seconded Jill C.

Next Meeting – Tuesday, March 5, 2019 @ 7pm.