

WYCKOFF DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
March 10, 2008

Andy Wingfield opened the Recreation Board Meeting at 7:30 p.m. in the Recreation Office with the reading of the Open Public Meetings Act. "This Regular meeting of the Wyckoff Department of Parks and Recreation Board is now in session. In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, notice of this meeting has been posted on the Bulletin Board in the Memorial Town Hall and the Recreation Office; a copy has been filed with the Township Clerk, *The Ridgewood News*, *The Record*, and *The North Jersey Herald and News* all papers with general circulation throughout the Township of Wyckoff." At least 48 hours prior to this meeting the agenda was similarly posted, filed and mailed to said newspapers.

Members Present: Ray Papera, Rich Weiner, Jim Madormo, Gary Ward, Heidi Misovic, Russ Whiteman, Frank Rocchio, Laura Morris, Keith Karsian

Staff Present: Andy Wingfield, Recreation Director; Joe Fiorenzo, Township Committee Liaison

Absent: Andy Kupec, Dan Hartigan

Recreation Director's Report:

- A motion to approve the minutes from the prior meeting was approved. All present were in favor.

Recreation Baseball & Softball

- Andy presented a list of prospective head coaches for recreation baseball and softball for review by the recreation board. Upon completion of the review, a motion was made by Jim Madormo to approve the list and seconded by Ray Papera. All were in favor with no abstentions.

Travel Baseball:

- Andy presented the names of 4 head coaches for travel baseball for the 8u, 9u, and 10u travel baseball teams as those tryouts are complete and the player rosters have been selected. A motion to approve the candidates was made by Jim Madormo and seconded by Gary Ward. All were in favor with no abstentions. Don Pflieger (8u), Jan Unger (9u), and Tom Valente (10u) were unanimously approved by the recreation board to head coach their respective teams.
- Andy requested the Recreation Board's approval to field two 10u teams this year as it was evident at the tryouts that there was a sufficient number of talented baseball players to field a second team. The recreation board was unanimous in its approval so Andy will review the list of head coach candidates and submit a coach for approval at the next board meeting in April.
- Tryouts for travel 8u, 11u and 12u are upcoming and will be complete by the next meeting.

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Soccer:

- Soccer registration for grades Kindergarten-High School is complete and approximately 1000 children have registered to play soccer in the fall.

Kindergarten T-Ball:

- Registration is complete and tremendously successful. In our first season of kindergarten T-Ball, over 150 children are signed up to play.

Policy Discussion:

- The Recreation Board approved a new policy that would prohibit children that quit a travel team the season before for reasons such as disagreements with playing time, coaching or program philosophy, coaching decisions, etc. from being able to try out for the team the following season. This policy would only become effective once it has been made policy so this would not affect any players that have quit this year or in the past. Andy will draft a policy for review at the next meeting.
- The Recreation Board also agreed on a change in the current policy to shorten travel coach (basketball and baseball) term limits to two years rather than three, assuming there are qualified candidates willing to take over the team. Andy will revise the policy for the board's review at the next meeting.

Old Business:

- The cheerleading complaint discussed at the last meeting was resolved in an amicable manner. The head coach was asked to always have an assistant coach with her so that the management of 21 girls would be easier and the head coach also apologized to the team regarding the complaint. All parties involved were very satisfied with the resolution.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:07pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Russ Whiteman
Secretary