

Attending: K. Reichart, C. Broadwater, S. Parker, H. Speir, R. Harper, M. Russ, J. Porter, J. Phillips, M. McConnel, N. Fisher, D. Mann, K. Stork, S. Simmons, D. Simmons.

Excused: S. Visintainer, M. Kaczynski,

**Meeting Summary**

I. **President Reichart welcomed Board members and introduced guests:** Chris Knauss and Bob Zimmerhoff (Tubman Nature Center Project) and prospective Board member, Maggie McConnel from Federalsburg.

II. NEW BUSINESS

a. **Maryland Sportsmanship Month, HB 1298.** Written background material and sample letter of support provided. Motion by C. Broadwater, 2<sup>nd</sup> by R. Harper to support the legislation with a letter to the appropriate legislative committee prior to the 3/14/18 hearing. Unanimous.

D. Simmons to also draft a letter of support as the Supervisor of Athletics for Caroline County Public Schools.

b. **Proposed Federal Funding cuts to the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Centers**

K. Stork provided a briefing on the Administration’s budget and referenced the blog post (Afterschool Snack) produced by the Afterschool Alliance, and the impact of these outside funding sources on the provision of comprehensive school-based afterschool and summer learning centers. See the table insert for a summary of the federal, state and local funds that are leveraged to serve 775 students and their families with over \$762K in state and federal funding.

Kat invited the board to respond to the live link to the Afterschool Alliance and encourage congressional leadership support to continue funding. Afterschool Alliance is a non-profit national education organization that highlights the value and impact of afterschool programs.

Additional Board member discussion included pushing Afterschool Alliance information from FB and Twitter feeds through the CCRP and CCPS FB feeds, forwarding local impact information about the difference the afterschool services are making on student performance measures to R. Harper for LMS-PTSA support and Local Lions Clubs could be activated thru D. Mann’s connections.

Program Site	Target Enrollment	Funding Source	2017-18 SY & '18 Summer	Notes
Federalsburg Afterschool	75	Caroline Human Services Council, Inc.	\$94,333	Funding Secure in FY19
Federalsburg Summer	150	MSDE Public School. Opportunity Enhancement Grant, Caroline County Commissioners, Federalsburg Judy Center	\$108,058	Funding Secure in FY19

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Denton Afterschool	80	21 <sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Center	\$151,736	Funding Not Secure in FY19 – New Competitive Grant Due 5/11
Denton Summer	150	21 <sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Center, MSDE Public School Opportunity Enhancement Grant (PSOE), Caroline County Commissioners	\$109,764	Funding Secure in FY 19 through 21CCLC replaced with PSOE
Greensboro Summer	150	21 <sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Center, PS. Opportunity Enhancement (PSOE) Grant, Caroline County Commissioners, Greensboro Judy Center	\$112,265	Funding Secure in FY 19 through 21CCLC replaced with PSOE
CRMS Afterschool	75	Caroline Human Services Council, Inc.	\$94,333	Funding Secure in FY19
LMS Afterschool	75	Caroline Human Services Council, Inc.	\$94,333	Funding Secure in FY19

III. OLD BUSINESS

- a. **Workplan for the North County Regional Park Master Plan** S. Simmons presented a written workplan to chart the consultant procurement process for the professional services associated with the Master Plan (calendar dates) and the prospective membership for the community-based task force to participate directly in the design discussion process. Board members that agreed to review the proposal submissions to establish the preferred ranking for the interview include S. Parker, D. Simmons, H. Spier, K. Reichart, J. Phillips and M. McConnel.

Board recommendations for members of the community task force include the following resources for additional nominees: A District executive contact for scouting (H. Speir), Soil Conservation Service representative, Estella at ChesMRC (Kat), Hispanic Lions Club members (R. Harper), mail lady at the Greensboro Post Office—Teresa Rankin, Jim Lewis, Robin Brown, Father Doug from Marydel, Brandy Warnic, YMCA representative – Robbi Gill, Gale Nashold from the Greensboro Historical Society.

- b. **Advisory Board Attendance at the March 13 Budget Hearing** K. Reichart confirmed Board attendance at the hearing to include D. Mann, R. Harper and M. Russ One or two members will speak in support of the general tax dollar investment into public recreation.
- c. **Staff Budget Proposal Summary**
- i. Staff provided an agenda briefing outlining the budget plan request and the increases proposed in FY2019.
  - ii. S. Simmons also shared the Department Workplan initiatives in 2018 that was recently shared with the County Commissioners.

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- d. **Board Membership Opening** Nomination of Maggie McConnel to fulfill the unexpired term of Bud Lewis was unanimously endorsed by the Board. Her name will be submitted to the Commissioner's for appointment.
  - e. **MRPA Conference** Staff invited confirmed a reminder for Board registration to the conference within the pre-registration period. Follow-up email issued this week. Noted that K. Stork and D. Simmons are presenting at the conference on Wednesday on School-Community partnerships with public Recreation agencies
- IV. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS
- a. Motion to accept the written items presented and file for record by S. Parker. Unanimous.
- V. BOARD MEMBER CONCERNS
- a. Informal discussion invited regarding alternative date for July meeting and possible field trip to programs and or park locations.
- VI. Meeting Adjourned at 7:50 p.m.