

CRPA EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

CONNECTICUT RECREATION
AND PARKS ASSOCIATION

January 20, 2009 City of Groton

IN ATTENDANCE: Anna Park, Mary Hill, Debbie Gatto, Frank Cooper, Ruth Plummer, Cheryl Hancin, Bill Engle, Paul Norris, Jay Cohen, John Silsby and Alison Harle, Executive Director

ROLL CALL: Meeting called to order at 9:35 a.m. by Mary Hill.

1) ACCEPTANCE OF ITEMS ON CONSENT AGENDA:

John Silsby made a motion to accept the following items on the consent agenda. Deb Gatto seconded. All in favor.

- a) December Meeting Minutes
- b) Certification Committee Report

2) DIRECTOR'S REPORT

a) See New Business

2) TREASURERS REPORT

a) Jay Cohen reported on the CRPA Account/Investment Balances and the Monthly profit and loss overview. John Silsby made a motion that \$18,000 be transferred into cash and cash equivalents in the BOA account and \$6,000 to the Capital Improvements Account. Ruth Plummer seconded. All in favor.

4) UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a) **2009 Executive Board Meeting Schedule 2009:** Mary Hill sent the meeting schedule via e-mail.
- **b) Board Liasons:** Alison Harle would like to review Board Liasons at the next meeting.

5) NEW BUSINESS

- a) Review of Agenda Paperwork: Ruth Plummer reported that a Robert's Rules synopsis was included with the meeting agenda. This, combined with the new meeting format should help to make meetings more efficient.
- **b) 2008 Motion Review:** Anna Park reported that motions for 2007 and 2008 meetings have been compiled into a spreadsheet that was e-mailed in December. Mary Hill will make similar spreadsheets for motions from meeting minutes starting in 2004.
- c) Scholarship Proposal: Ruth Plummer made a motion to accept the scholarship proposal put forth by Patti Tomasack. Jay Cohen seconded. All opposed. Motion does not pass. Ruth Plummer will invite Patti to our next meeting in February.

"Connecticut Recreation and Parks Association: A Network of support for members through professional development, and resources to enhance the quality of recreation and park services in Connecticut"

- **d) Conflict of Interest Signing:** Alison Harle collected signed Conflict of Interest letters from members of the Executive Board.
- e) Legislative Report: Jay Cohen reported that there are 2 main issues at this time. The committee was approached by Dick Roy and Ed Meyers regarding a 1 year extension on the Pesticide Legislation. Additionally, the Background Check legislation, initially halted by the State Police, will hopefully be reintroduced by Andrea Stillman. Initial concerns by the State Police have hopefully been ironed out. Jay also reminded the EB that Legislative Day is May 13th. The committee is looking to also have a display in the LOB, thought it will not coincide with Legislative Day.
- f) Strategic Goals and Implementation: Alison Harle proposed that the EB look at creating goals for 2009. Mary Hill suggested the EB look at the 2008 goals at the next meeting and extend or eliminate based on those goals.

4) ADJOURNMENT:

Deb Gatto made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:40 a.m. Jay Cohen seconded. All in favor.

NEXT MEETING: February 24th in East Hampton. Ruth will send out directions.