ARC: Board Meeting Minutes

10/05/2016, 6:30p-8:30p, 100 Dexter, Parks Board Room

Board Members: Jonathan Hartung (President), Vic Roberson (VP), Frana Milan (Secretary), Dennis Cook, Chris Copacino, Terry Holme, David Towne and Bernardo Ruiz. **Staff:** Bill Keller, Christina Arcidy, Rachel Sorrels. **Parks & Recreation:** Susan Golub, Strategic Advisor, Superintendent's Office; Katie Gray. **Visitors:** None.

EXCUSED ABSENCE: Trang Hoang.

Minutes:

WHEN	ТОРІС	MINUTES
6:33pm	Welcome & Introductions Consent Agenda Determination of Quorum 5 of 9 members Approval of Agenda Approval of September Minutes	 The ARC Board meeting was called to order by Jonathan Hartung. Intro of Board and Staff Terry Holme moved to approve agenda David Towne second. Agenda approved. David Towne moved to approve the September meeting minutes Terry Holme second. Minutes approved.
	Review goals for today:	
	 Learn about Community Center Strategic Plan. Recap the Presidents Meeting. Review 2017 budget process. 	
6:37pm	Public Comment	Vic-in order to be open and transparent we may want to send out to ACs that they can come to the Board meetings
		Jonathan-Staff please send out a monthly reminder to Advisory Councils
6:38pm	Community Center Strategic Plan [Prep - Review Community Center Strategic Plan.]	 Institute immediate changes, test new ideas, bridge the SPR long-term planning in 2017 guiding principles and public involvement staffing and hours, innovations and pilot projects, and system-wide improvements= the \$1.3 million moved by City Council Q Vic: How did you decide staffing and hours? A Katie: Looked at the people counter numbers, talked to staff, looked at current and future programming.

- Q Chris: who would be a potential nonprofit partner for Green Lake Community Center? A Susan: The YMCA or something like that, that already does that kind of thing.
- Pilot Porgrams: Equity& Access, Expanded Partnerships and Program Hubs
- Eliminate drop-in fees and simplify scholarship process
- Q Terry: Drop-in Fees, how does that effect ARC staff and program cost vs. SPR? A Bill: equipment replacement cycles that we have picked up over the years that the department will now pickup. Advisory Councils have purchased. Clarification: Funds were always taken by SPR staff. Bill: gym monitor and program aid but not across the system. Katie: We need to figure out before the end of the year how are we going to track the usage, so we can see if removing the fee has increased the use and be able to report back.
- Q David: Does that replace ARC Scholarships? A Bill: we've done different things in recreational scholarships. In the budget process we continue in the same vain.
- Q Vic: How are you making the free programs a reality? A Katie: Already planning winter quarter so it
 will be hard to program free programs that quarter, but will be easier to plan moving forward. Will also
 need to get info from public about what they want, and will need to track the programs and get
 feedback from participants. Next year is an experimental year.
- Promoting scholarships because we still have money to give away. The number of applications that have come in are quadrupled from last year.
- Facilities recommendations: 8 centers that need replacement=\$62 million and major maintenance needs of \$12.1 million
- Recommendations: allocated some funds to facilities assessment/planning, invest in targeted upgrades to support the pilot projects and programming, focus \$12.1M to most urgent needs
- The recommendations are in the Mayor's budget that are in City Council's hands right now. These recommendations did not receive a warm reception.
- Council Member Juarez didn't like the free programming or the hub concept. Hubbing- she sees a redundancy of staff. Free programming-she felt if people were paying that now why can't they continue to pay for programs. Bill: there is a misconception. This is for the people who haven't been showing up not the people who are. Dennis: it's a pilot so why not try it?
- Through the minutes Christina and Rachel can draft something to the City Council to support the Community Center Strategic Plan that the Board can sign.
- Q Terry: Has this been approved? A Susan: it has been adopted by the Executive.
- The original amount was put forth and approved by voter mandate. That amount has been hijacked by the council.
- Vic: \$20,000 is not enough for staff training.
- Terry: Spend some time working on what we would get behind for funding for new facilities. Need to be proactive about that. David: leasing out from the SPR what has traditionally been their responsibility needs to be seriously thought about and be careful before moving forward on it.

Action we took was coming for a decade or more, and we are now in line with the Mayor's vision 7:28pm **Recap Presidents' Meeting** Good Q&A session Felt we were as transparent as we could be Ballard very concerned about hours they have, Queen Anne concerned about facility, questions about details about budget Chris: take away it is a monumental step, some concerns. Coming off the equity piece there was a positive understanding. Frana: less about opposition and more questions about how it would work. More questions about the strategic plan. • Terry: one discussion with some one that felt this as a disincentive for the Advisory Councils to be creative, proactive, etc. The general reaction will be muted in that type of setting, but the really reaction will be in the budget process and staff. Request that staff keep a list of the issues that come up/play out. Bill: my hope is this is a prompt to look at budgets in planning forward to 2017. Be reflective and thoughtful and proactive in planning. Revitalization of Advisory Coucil vision and mission. • Terry: Have to keep sending the same message each year. If some ACs make some inroads, set them as examples. David: greater concern we are moving into another planning mode. We have the voters with us, and they want to see results, additional programming at centers, repairs. Voters didn't vote for more studies and reports. We will lose voter confidence. Katie: our staff are on board and understand, but some of our staff still use that fund balance as a measuring stick. So Kelly and I are coming up with some other measurements and incentives. Also, Advisory Councils feel that fund is how they support their staff, now how do they do that? A: Serve their community and a focus on community. A shift in outcomes and measures away from money. Incentives and recognitions. Other piece was the trainings. Bill: Equity task force, how would you like it constructed? How would you like the candidates selected from the community and presented to the board. • Vic: at least some people from the Advisory Councils. Frana: good to have Advisory Councils representative, but not exclusive to that. Perhaps someone who is knowledgeable within equity work. Jonathan: one person from each Advisory Council by GEO, someone from the board and some people from outside the organization. Bill: one of the jobs of this Task force will be taking some of the consolidated funds and enhance some budgets of some of the centers that need help. The Task Force must be unbiased. Dennis: how do we get that silent voice in the community to be on the task force? Frana: Perhaps how the task force works is where the silent voices get heard rather than getting the

silent voices on the task force.

		 Bill: Recruitment needed to avoid any indication of insider game. Katie: it's always a difficult challenge to recruit, but if staff is given specifics they could help. If you pick an Advisory Council member from each GEO, couldn't they step out of the decision if a request came from their center? Bill: There are other ways to influence decisions. Ways to recruit? Katie: some Community Centers have listservs that could be used to recruit. Series of presentations and informational processes for them to get up to speed for the 2018 budget Chris: we want to focus on equity, so it concerns me to recruit only from Advisory Councils, we should try to get a 360 view and get a perspective from all angles. Advisory Councils, SPR, the general public. Frana: an opportunity to expand the ARC family. Shouldn't only be the usual players. Shouldn't just be Advisory Council members. There are organizations that train and recruit people to join boards that we could use as a resource. Task Force should be 5 at large members and 2 Advisory Council members. Last meeting (September) the Board was very specific that this is to be an ARC Board action. Board will take this off line and communicate via email and sort it out. Then give staff direction after
8:16pm	2017 Budget Process	 they make decision. Christina will set up the email. December 7th is the public ARC Board meeting where the Board will vote to approve the budget December 5th will be a working Board meeting November 2nd meeting will also be work to prepare for the December 7th meeting Budget requests ARC staff has to review all Advisory Council budgets November meeting will be one day after giving the budget to SPR Vic: How much are we giving back to SPR? Would like to have that included in the report. Bill: It'll be approximately \$1.9M
8:25pm	Director's Report	 Consolidated Up 9.4 % SAC down 5.4% closed 13 Before school programs because of bell times. 10% increase over last year. \$13.2M compared to last year at this time which was just over \$12M
8:30pm	Review Assignments & Adjourn	 Christina and Rachel will draft a letter to City Council about SPR Budget and the Community Center Strategic Plan for Board to review & Jonathan to sign Board will have email conversation to figure out what they want the Equity Task Force make up to be. Send out invite to Advisory Councils for public comment at Board Meetings. Jonathan called for a motion to adjourn, Vic moved and Dennis second. Motion was approved. Meeting adjourned