

Takoma Park Recreation and Community Engagement Committee Minutes  
11/17/2022

Attendance: John Webster, Thomas Radman, Machenzie Brown, Rachna Rikhye, Michael Asart, Shana Fulcher (Assistant Chair), Ellen Marcus (Secretary), Jay Keller (Chair)

- Last month meetings minutes approved

John – updates for recreation center

- Recreation management position interviews
- Summer camp is in the works!
- Classes going well – ending on a positive note
- New contract methods – takes a bit more time
- Computer giveaway successful
- Before/afterschool programs going well
- Basketball – waiting list
- Bootcamp spaces available
- Fitness room is OPEN for multiple users!!!! YAY!
- RFPs are out for redevelopment of rec center – things finally moving along to update rec center!
- Special events – thanks to everyone who was a part of the Monster Bash
- Next special event = Egg Hunt
- Sports – futsal, basketball, need coaches and volunteers 3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> grade
  - o “Coach the coaches”
- Teens – looking for new e-sports instructor

Community center reno – start late fall 2023

Issues discussed with mixing ages in basketball and how it disadvantages children and discourages - solutions proposed and discussed – solutions in planning for future basketball sessions

Feb – playday coming up – mechanisms to get the fee covered for that?

Positions for the Committee will need to be filled SOON -

- Chair
- Vice Chair
- Secretary (on a tri-meeting rotation, possibly)

Bi-monthly meeting proposal for the Committee – proposal to take off December, July, August meetings due to slowdown of activity and less of need for Committee meetings

International day still on agenda – like a giant picnic or mix with 4<sup>th</sup> of July – should narrow down to a list of ideas for next meeting? Collecting conflicts in calendars – lock in a date will be important

No meeting December. Next meeting will be in January

Happy holidays!