

# The Friends of Guy Mason Recreation Center, Inc.

Board Meeting Minutes: APRIL 5, 2012

Directors present indicated by "▶"

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**March Minutes:** Approved with changes.

**Remembered:** Sally Boaseberg, landscape design consultant. Sally assisted with almost all the landscape design of the Guy Mason grounds since the inception of FOGM, generously charging pro-bono rates. Sally helped design the new playground and she designed the fragrance garden. Sally will be sorely missed. Discussion about creating a graphic for the kiosk in remembrance.

**Homeless Incident:** Discussed homeless person who was living in the park area. DPR and the police were involved and his possessions were moved. The man came into the center and injured the two employees working there. The women had not yet returned to work at the center.

**Treasurer's Report:** Checking \$16,880. Includes donation in memory of Lyle's Parachini Birthday. CD's \$95,000. Pay Pal \$500. Expenditures include \$877.50 for Learning Structures inspection.

**Dog Park:** Dan is involved in the process of creating a dog park group with 10 interested people who joined him at the Savoy to discuss possible scenarios, including gathering signatures and submitting an official application. Fractious issues included dog walkers and the quantity of dogs allowed per person (DPR says 3 dogs per person). There are 2-6 people who will submit the application. Need letters of recommendation -- FOGM will be interested in submitting one.

**Center Director:** Ralph Wright, Caryl King's replacement as center director, stopped by the meeting and met with the board. Mr. Wright updated the condition of the injured center workers -- Nicey is recovering well but Mrs. Rick's arm is still injured and she may be out for a month. Discussed changes coming to the center, including more kids' programs, and questions about how that might affect other ongoing programs, including the bridge club. He believed that the center had more potential for use. Discussed summer camp for 7-9 year olds and supplies, themes, programs, etc. Discussed trash and trash cans.

**Fall Event:** Joanne from The Savoy and Meg discussed possible dates in late Oct/early Nov -- pre-holiday.

**Playground Sand:** Hadley talked to Sand Shooters, Inc. to "shoot" sand into box. One truck holds 16 tons and should be enough. Cost of truck & labor is approx. \$600 and cost of white sand is \$1,000 for one ton. Permits needed for truck. **MOTION:** \$2,000 to start. **APPROVED.**

**Learning Structures:** Inspected all aspects of the playground. Sat, April 21st = community cleanup and repair and sand delivery. **MOTION:** \$1,000 for materials and hardware for playground from Learning Structures. **APPROVED.**

**Landscaping:** **MOTION:** \$3,000 for annual gardens cleanup and mulching. **APPROVED.** Milton will also meet with landscapers about extending the stroller path and path area.

**PPR Agreement:** Dan will meet with the DPR director about PPR Agreement, renovation punch list, trash cans/trash pickup, etc.

**Next Meeting:** May 3rd.