

Chelsea Community Schools Advisory Board Meeting

Recreation & Cultural Affairs Division

Meeting Minutes

May 11, 2021 5:30 – 6:30pm

Williams School Building, 180 Walnut St, Chelsea, MA

Members: Christopher Marroquin, Vanesa Mendoza-Mercado, Alice Murillo, Kevin Sandoval
Mohamed Qasim,

Staff: Bea Cravatta, Omar Miranda

I. Welcome

II. Minutes

- Motion to approve minutes from February 9, March 9, and April 13

III. Administrative Updates

- Goals and accomplishment will be reviewed in late May with the City Council
- Bea sent out a document prior to this meeting with the finalized FY22 Goals
- Summer 2021 guide is available online
- The Union has approved changes and we are bringing two roles, Omar will have one of the roles, the second will be Community Recreation Manager
 - Permit and billing part time job
 - Program assistant at WMS that will be posted online (M-W-F and T-Th-S)
 - Looking for ESOL curriculum coordinator
 - Posting will be online under human resources
- Future Meeting with Almi to discuss
 - Returning to the buildings
 - Impact of name changes based on Memorandum
- Met with Building and Grounds plus Monica about park usage
 - Working on a solution to streamline park reservations and making it affordable for all
 - Priority given to community members (of all ages)
 - Concerns about damage to turf and new equipment
 - Suggestions on how to open the field to the public and “regulate” the use to ensure protection of new changes
- Art and culture committee to help implement recommendations of the strategic plan

IV. Summer 2021 Programs

- Skateboarding course with The Chill Foundation
- Exploring an Opera course led by a bilingual instructor, hoping for the fall
- Hiring youth workers for Tenacity
- Collaboration Harvard Museum of Natural History

V. Adjourn

- Resilient coders offered to POC (Black and Brown) to support people who are interested in entering software environment

Motion to adjourn: 1st: Vanesa 2nd: Alice

Meeting adjourned at 6:30

Next meeting: Tuesday, June 8, 2021 at 5:30 (Virtual)

Recorder: Vanesa Mendoza-Mercado

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