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MEETING MINUTES

JCPRD Administration Building Boardroom
7900 Renner Road, Shawnee Mission, KS 66219

June 11, 2019
5:43 pm

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order by Committee Chair Jeff Meyers, and roll call was taken as follows:

Committee Members Present: Jeff Meyers, Heather Rubesch, George Schlagel

Committee Members Absent: None

Guests Present: None

Staff Members Present:

Jeff Stewart, Deputy Director
Susan Mong, Superintendent of Culture
Katie Baergen, CUL Sr. Administrative Assistant
Jennifer Assmann, ASV Sr. Administrative Assistant
Jo Ann Courtney, Administration & HR Manager
Noelle Testa, Chief Financial Officer
Jay Hinrichs, Development Director
Shannon Sonnier, Assistant Superintendent of Recreation

David Grant, Human Resources Director
Ted Tartenaar, Information Tech. Services Manager
Richard Smalley, Marketing & Communications Mgr.
Rhonda Pollard, Superintendent of Recreation
Jane Lickteig, REC Sr. Administrative Assistant
David Mullen, Recreation Intern

DISCUSSION & ACTION

A. Update to Alcohol Rules and Regulations at Theatre in the Park – Susan Mong, Superintendent of Culture

Issue: Consider approval of an update to Alcohol Rules and Regulations, included in JCPRD's Operational Policies and Procedures, to be consistent with the recent adoption of Resolutions 2019-08 and 023-19.

Ms. Mong introduced the revision of the Theatre in the Park policy in response to the recent changes to Resolution 2019-08 regarding alcohol sales at Theatre in the Park. Since the JCPRD Board last met the Johnson County Board of County Commissioners updated and passed resolution 023-19, also allowing alcohol sales at Theatre in the Park concessions. Today's request to update alcohol rules and regulations at Theatre in the Park is intended to update the language in the JCPRD policy in order to mirror those resolutions. The policy update also limits alcoholic offerings during Theatre in the Park outdoor performances to beer and wine only. During special events at Theatre in the Park, options will include alcoholic liquor and cereal malt beverages, but staff wanted to limit Theatre in the Park performance

options to wine and beer. Ms. Rubesch asked if there is a provision in the policy regarding over-intoxicated patrons. Ms. Mong responded to explain that JCPRD has a patron code of conduct policy to address poor patron behavior. Ms. Rubesch asked if there is a right to refuse service to anyone acting inappropriately. Ms. Mong answered yes and also mentioned concessions and alcoholic beverage sales will close at intermission during Theatre in the Park performances. Mr. Meyers reiterated signage would be helpful in order to protect the concessions employees. Mr. Schlagel asked if Theatre in the Park sold alcohol during the opening of the season last weekend, June 7 through June 9. Ms. Mong answered no and explained that JCPRD is waiting on the state of Kansas to process the liquor license. Ms. Mong publically thanked Shannon Sonnier, who has been working on the liquor license request processing with the state of Kansas. Mr. Sonnier stated that he anticipates JCPRD will have the liquor license before the end of the Theatre in the Park outdoor season. The committee agreed an addition of signage to offer protection for employees would be beneficial. Staff agreed to explore signage that would clarify that JCPRD staff has the right to refuse service where beer and wine are sold.

CUL-1 It was the consensus of the committee to recommend Board consent approval of an update to Alcohol Rules and Regulations, included in JCPRD's Operational Policies and Procedures, to be consistent with the recent adoption of JCPRD Resolution No. 2019-08 and BOCC Resolution No. 023-19.

B. Theatre in the Park Advisory Council Minutes – Susan Mong, Superintendent of Culture

Ms. Mong presented the Theatre in the Park Advisory Council minutes and asked if there were any questions. Ms. Rubesch inquired about the STARS Gala. Ms. Mong explained that it is an annual fundraiser to benefit the Theatre in the Park. It has net approximately \$18,000 each year since its inception in 2017. Ms. Rubesch stated that is wonderful.

CUL-2 It was the consensus of the committee to recommend Board consent acceptance of Theatre in the Park Advisory Council Minutes dated May 17, 2019.

OTHER BUSINESS

No other business was discussed.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Meyers adjourned the meeting at 5:50 pm.

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[Signature on file]

JEFF MEYERS, *Committee Chair*

*PREPARED BY Katie Baergen, CUL Sr. Administrative Assistant
Approved June 19, 2019*