

MINUTES OF MARCH 13, 2014 WATTS ADVISORY GROUP MEETING
GLENCOE PARK DISTRICT
999 GREEN BAY ROAD, GLENCOE, ILLINOIS 60022

The meeting was called to order at 7:40 p.m. Roll was called. Members present: Commissioner Hilary Lee, Commissioner Steve Gaines, Patty Talbot, Jack Weinberg; Staff present: David Johnson, Facilities Manager; Dave Figgins, Director of Recreation and Facilities; and Lisa Sheppard, Executive Director

Introductions: Staff members Dave Figgins and David Johnson introduced themselves to the group.

Approval of the Minutes: Commissioner Lee made a motion to approve the minutes from the May 8, 2013 Watts Advisory Group Meeting. Commissioner Steve Gaines seconded the motion, which passed by unanimous voice vote.

2013 -2014 Season Overview: Dave Figgins presented the Watts Ice Center Report for the 2013-2014 season.

The hours of operation were discussed and it was recommended that regardless of the status of use the ice rink lights will be turned off at 10:00 p.m. Sunday through Thursday and 11:00 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday. It was requested that staff verify the lights out policy at our baseball field providing consistency and also the Village of Glencoe Ordinance.

A discussion regarding utilizing the studio rink when not programmed or rented resulted in a recommendation to allow structured activities for a fee.

A sun shade structure was commented on as a possible solution for the effect of sunlight on the ice when the temperature warms up.

A solution was recommended to avoid the unavailable changing space during back to back hockey games. Watts Ice Center has two locker rooms and previously had four. Staff will review the locker room assignment process and seek alternatives for changing rooms as well as train facility staff accordingly.

Regarding the practice of playing Broomball with skates on, Glencoe Broomball was questioned. This will be allowed, but not on the ice at the same time as broomball without skates. Helmets are recommended while playing Broomball.

It was recommended that the fees for Season Passes be raised incrementally each year. There has not been an increase in Season Pass fees since the 2009-2010 season.

The concession stand operation was discussed. Staff will review its purpose, menu and hours of operation.

The results of a recent survey of the Watts Ice Center operation and Watts Classic were made available to the Advisory Group. Staff utilized the survey results to analyze recommendations for the 2014-2015 Watts ice season.

Adjourn: Commissioner Lee moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:59 p.m. Commissioner Gaines seconded the motion, which passed by unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted,
Dave Figgins
Director of Recreation and Facilities