

Vashon Commons Committee
August 18, 2010
7:00pm
McMurray Library

Voting Members Attending:

David Hackett, VPD Board Representative
Michael Soltman, VISD Superintendent
Dave Wilke, VISD Athletic Representative
Wendy Braicks, VPD Executive Director
Scott Rice, VPD User Group Representative

Voting Members Unable to Attend:

Bob Hennessey
Susan Lofland

Also Attending:

Tim Lafferty, VPD Maintenance Supervisor
Ron Kreiger, VPD Athletic Groundskeeper
Joe Wald, VYBS/VPD Board

Sub-committee Reports

Theater – None.

Indoor Spaces – None

Pool – Pool will close on Sept 6. The season has gone well but would have done better if the weather had been better. The pool committee and VPD staff have identified problems and issues and will be much better prepared for the summer season next year. David recommended providing comment cards for the final two weeks. Wendy reported that we may be able to have the pool open beyond Sept. 6 if lifeguarding staff is available, the weather cooperates, and there are pool users who are interested in using the pool. These time and days would not be in conflict with school hours.

Fields – Scott shared the revised fee policy. He has received some additional comments that he will add and bring the policy back to the committee. The Lacrosse and Adult Soccer groups are the only ones to date that have submitted documentation supporting the collection of field use fees. Baseball, Football, and Soccer have said they are in agreement and Scott will work on getting the documentation to support that. He is also working on drafting language to address priorities in field assignments.

David asked about the large hole at the entrance to McM field (2 locations). Tim and Ron will repair those areas.

Repairs to VES need to be done to provide safe fields for soccer starting in September. Ron and Tim reported that no grass will be able to grow as there is no water to irrigate but sand can be used to fill the holes with extra made available at the site for coaches to add as needed.

Portable lights. It was agreed that portable lights will be needed at VES again for the fall. Tim will get an estimate of cost and Scott will talk to Soccer to find out what funds they have for this purpose.

McMurray lights. – Tim will have to rent a taller lift to reach the lights on the poles at McMurray. This work will likely take about a week to complete as there are major adjustments and replacement that will need to take place.

It was agreed that Ron would develop a weekly report on the condition of the fields and send it weekly to a list of coaches and others who might need to know. This list would be used to communicate closures, concerns, and alerts to field users. Wendy will work with Ron and Tim to develop the distribution list and each sport group can forward/be added as needed.

Parking and Gates –

It was agreed that VPD Access personnel will no longer manage the CES and McMurray Gates (front entrance gates). They will be left open.

The gate to the McMurray field parking area will be managed to allow access only when there is a scheduled use on the field.

Parking – There had been some discussion that temporary signage would be used to keep people from parking in the fire lanes. Access personnel were asked to post signs and manage those areas when community groups were using the facilities. This is unnecessary as permanent signage is posted so no additional steps need to be taken.

Next Meeting: Date TBD