

City of Coral Gables

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Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, May 5, 2021

7:00 PM

The board meets the first Wednesday of the very month.
Coral Gables Youth Center, 405 University Drive, Coral Gables, FL
Parks and Recreation Youth Advisory Board

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting began at 7:12pm

ROLL CALL

Present:

Alec Schneider
Kirk Menendez, Jr.
Gabriella Toyos
Natalie Gonzalez
Samantha Simpson-Virtual

Absent:

Mihir Pabby
Jorge G. Hernandez

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

A Motion to approve to February Meeting Minutes was made by Alec Schneider and second by Gabriella Toyos. All were in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

Youth Center Supervisor Carlos Pichardo began his report by going over facility reopening plans and Fitness Center procedures. He then continued with reminding members that Summer camp registration is open and we are offering My First Camp, Summer P.L.A.Y. Care, Basketball Half Day Camp, Volleyball Half Day Camp, Half Day Fun Sports Camp, Tumblebees Gymnastics Full Day Camp, and the Fitness Fun Camp. All divisions are in need GSR's and counselors and if anyone knows of someone interested in working this summer, to please apply online. The Youth Center is also looking for CITs to work along side our counselors. CITs will be able to collect community service hours and will receive the same training the counselors will receive.

Carlos continued with his report by going over upcoming events which includes the first annual Coral Gables Literacy Festival which will take place in the front parking area of the Youth Center on May 29th from 11am to 4pm. Other events include Memorial Day Remembrance Ceremony at the War Memorial Youth Center on Monday May 31st at 9am.

Administrative Assistant Sarah Espino shared the monthly Community Recreation e-news letter with the Board.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Alec Schneider asked about the process to use the indoor basketball courts. Carlos let the board know that users need to login to their PlayGables household account to reserve a court time. Sarah explained the login process using the main household accounts email.

Natalie Gonzalez asked staff how to become a lifeguard. Fellow board member Alec Schneider shared his experience with the board after recently completing the lifeguard course at the Venetian Pool and freshly starting the application process to be hired at the pool. Sarah shared with the board the application process and what to expect after the course is completed.

Natalie Gonzalez also asked Carlos if it would be possible to set up a French book depository for book collection for Africa. Carlos said he would allow her to setup a donation station but she would need to provide any information/flyers for the fundraiser.

ITEMS FROM THE SECRETARY

The next meeting is set for June 2, 2021 at 7:00pm. Location is still pending.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 7:40pm

NOTE