THE JOAN SCHAEFER RECREATION COMMITTEE MINUTES – MAY 2021

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Vinny Malley called the meeting to order on May 24, 2021 at 8:06 PM.

MINUTES: J. Arango and B. Mendez motioned to accept the minutes from the April 2021 meeting. All were in favor, no objections, no abstentions.

PRESENT: Ed Volmer, Vinny Malley, Ryan Martin, Mariann Canino, Almonte Domingo, Juan Arango, Albert Gonzales, Pedro Martinez, Belinda Mendez, Priscilla Pascual, Jackie Teel, Brian Timmons

ABSENT: Angel Dominguez, Terry Infield, Charlie Lacap, Kathie Lacey, Tony Londono, Melissa Weigl

DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Ed Volmer reported that Family Fun Day (FFD) has been moved to Thursday, July 1 beginning at 6:00 pm. There will be bands, food trucks, fireworks. Priscilla Pascual is successfully running a zomba, yoga, line dancing on Monday evenings through June 13 at the tennis courts at Memorial. Classes may be extended, many participants would like that to happen and have asked if it could. No decision at this time. Ed also said that even though the Library is not under JSRC they are running some interesting programs for kids and to check it out on their website.

SPORT REPORTS

BBL: Vinny Malley reported there are two weeks left to the regular season. All the BBL teams will be in the play offs. He said the Jr Team is 8-1 and will have the second seed going into the play offs. There will be a summer baseball program.

PAL: Spring basketball league was coming to an end in the next week. The two boys travel teams will be doing play offs. The Varsity team Is on top of their league. Soccer and basketball are planning summer programs. Softball will have two teams. Basketball is hoping to start a girls travel team in summer play.

BUSC: Juan Arango told the Committee there was two weeks left to their season. No play offs this season. Kids are excited to be back on the field.

JR. FOOTBALL: Seems Bogota and Bergenfield are not going to be merging as the league does not allow the teams to merge but that one had to absorb the other and would become either Bergenfield or Bogota. League suggested Bergenfield absorb Bogota, Bogota was not good with that. So, they are going to have registration and see how their numbers are and go from there. Jackie said Bergenfield numbers are looking good. There will be camp at Hickory Field on Aug 27-29.

CHALLENGERS: Ed told the Committee that track season was done. Baseball for Challengers which is run through Little League, is still going on. Vinny is having some of the Challenger baseball players come to a BBL game on June 1 to throw out the first pitch. Jackie said two seasons ago PAL and Jr. Football shared a season having football and cheering and PAL running soccer program for Challenger Division, hoping they might do that again.

MEL TRAINING: Ed reminded everyone about doing the MEL training on line if they have not as yet.

TOWN PARKS: Ora and Ed informed the Committee that every park in Bergenfield is getting some sort of new equipment. At Memorial Park batting cages are being added.

CONLON HALL: The borough is currently renting Conlon Hall. At present the borough is offering vaccines at Conlon Hall. Rec Committee is hoping to sponsor a volleyball program in the fall at Conlon Hall.

There being no further business for the good of the Committee the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 pm. With a motion and second from Belinda and Pricilla.

THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE MONDAY JUNE 28 AT 8:00 PM AT THE PAVILION AT MEMORIAL PARK.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mariann Canino, Secretary