

Advisory Committee on Joint Use of Recreational Property
MINUTES

City/County Library Conference Room

995 Palm Street

Tuesday, May 26, 2009 12:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Michael Parolini called the meeting to order at 12:04 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Committee Members Nancy Cochran, Stew Jenkins, Colin Jones, Stephen Cairns and Jesse Bilsten

ABSENT: David Hensinger (representing PRC)

STAFF: City of San Luis Obispo: James Bremer, Recreation Supervisor; and Ashley Lopez, Public Information Officer

1. Public Comment

None.

2. Consideration of Minutes

***MOTION:** (Jenkins/Cochran) Approve the April 28, 2009 minutes as submitted.*

Approved 6 Yes: 0 No: 1 absent (Hensinger)

3. Priorities for Use of Sinsheimer Park Facilities

The committee reviewed the Staff Report and recommendations made by staff for the Sinsheimer Park Priorities for Use. Two of the priorities were discussed in detail. The wording of the groups using the stadium and the hours of available permitted time at the tennis courts.

The users of San Luis Obispo Baseball Stadium, the SLO Blues and SLO Rattlers, are considered to be collegiate teams not “semi-pro”. Staff recommends amending the wording from “semi-pro” to “non-professional/collegiate”. Representative from the SLO Rattlers, Dave Hite, supported the amendment, sighting consistency with NCAA rules.

Additional discussion and recommendations were made to change:

Under 1.d.i.a. and 2.d.i.a.

“College/University Varsity play” is to be replaced with
“College/University/Community College, non-SLCUSD High School
play”

Add the verbiage from the Facility Enhancement Grant “Events generating tourism in San Luis Obispo are defined as an all day or multi-day event that involves teams that are not from San Luis Obispo” to Stockton Baseball Field.

The second change was in reference to the Tennis Courts and use during peak hours. The Central Coast Tennis League (CCWTL) is vying to use the courts during the restricted hours (open play) of 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. Representatives from the CCWTL, Karen Gray of San Luis Obispo and Carol Hall of San Luis Obispo, submitted a letter to members of the committee.

After receiving public comment, the JUC had discussion regarding the history of the courts, the restrictions placed in 2004 and the current impact to the site. Recreation Supervisor Bremer stated that the Parks and Recreation Department had not received any complaints about the courts during this time period.

The committee approved the Priorities for Use of Sinsheimer Park for the Baseball Stadium, Swim Center and Stockton Baseball Field with the amended wording. The committee tabled the Tennis Court Priorities until the June 26 meeting. That meeting will be held at the Swim Center and the local tennis community will be invited.

***MOTION:** (Cairns/Parolini) Recommend accepting Priorities for Use, with edits, in regards to the San Luis Obispo Baseball Stadium, Stockton Field and the Municipal Swimming Pool – SLO Swim Center.*

Approved 6 Yes: 0 No: 1 Absent (Hensinger)

4. 2009 Park Tour

Discussion occurred regarding the annual Park Tour hosted by the Parks and Recreation Department. The 2009 Park Tour is on June 24, 2009 from 12 p.m. to 5 p.m. All participants should meet at the Laguna Lake Municipal Golf Course at 11:45 a.m. Participants and family members are invited to a post-tour BBQ at the Laguna Lake Golf Course. Please RSVP to Supervising Administrative Assistant Reynolds.

Committee Members have interest in visiting the Laguna Middle School softball fields, the modified concession stand at the San Luis Obispo Baseball Stadium and the Laguna Lake Dog Park.

5. June Meeting

The committee discussed the need to hold a June meeting and address the Priorities of Use for the Sinsheimer Tennis Courts. The meeting will take place on June 23, 2009 at 11:30 a.m. and will be held at the SLO Swim Center.

***MOTION:** (Parolini/Jones) Recommend holding a meeting for June 23, 2009 at 11:30 a.m. at the SLO Swim Center Training Room.*

Approved 6 Yes: 0 No: 1 Absent (Hensinger)

6. Staff Reports

Recreation Supervisor Bremer informed committee members that requested speaker Recreation Supervisor at the SLO Swim Center, Robin Perrin, was unavailable for this May 26, 2009 meeting, however she offered to host the meeting on June 23, 2009 at the SLO Swim Center. During the meeting, the committee hopes to get a better understanding of SLO Swim Center operations from Recreation Supervisor Perrin and possibly visit the concession stand at nearby SLO Stadium.

Recreation Supervisor Bremer mentioned that the collegiate teams start play at the SLO Stadium on Friday, May 29, 2009. Bremer suggested visiting the stadium to observe the condition of the field at the start of the season and then revisit at the end of the season to examine the impact of such high volume play.

7. Additional Items

No additional items.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 1:13 p.m. to the June 23, 2009 Joint Use Committee Meeting to be held at 11:30 a.m. at the SLO Swim Center Training Room.