

**City of San Diego Parks & Recreation Department  
 Otay Mesa Community Recreation Group  
 January 11th, 2024, at 7:00pm  
 Minutes**

**TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING**

A regular meeting of the Otay Mesa Community Recreation Group was held at Silver Wing Recreation Center 3737 Arey Drive, San Diego, CA 92154

**CALL TO ORDER**

President Dotty Giffen called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**ATTENDANCE**

<b>Members Present (7)</b>	<b>Members Absent (0)</b>	<b>Staff Present (5)</b>	<b>Guest (4)</b>
Dotty Giffen President	Cindy Rodriguez	German Fimbres	Steven Dawid
Mike Grzenia Vice President		CJ Saldana	Mayra Hernandez
Alex Gutierrez Secretary		Carlos Edington	Brendan Faubion
Sherri Gonzalez		Robert Broomfield	Lamar Weston
Maria Carranza		Taevee Davis	Rosa Macias- Gonzalez
Angelina Bravo			

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Approval of October meeting minutes. Motion approved: Sherri G./ Alex G.  
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**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

None.

**FORMAL REQUEST FOR MEMBERSHIP**

None.

**COMMUNITY RELATIONS REPORT**

Carlos Edington reported the following:

- Fentanyl Information Event at San Ysidro Middle School on January 17<sup>th</sup> from 5:30-7:00pm. Professionals and Spanish Speakers will be at the event. Narcan will be provided for free for residents.

### **COUNCIL DISTRICT 8 REPORTS**

Roberto Broomfield reported the following:

- State of the City was held yesterday than can be viewed on sandiego.gov.
- Next Dumpster Dropoff will be Saturday, January 20<sup>th</sup> from 9am-12pm at Montgomery Waller.
- Councilmember shared an audit on Government and Budget Efficiency.
- ADA improvements at Robert Egger South Bay Community Park will start January 16<sup>th</sup>.
- Del Sol Boulevard and Kostner Drive will be having. Workshop will be at the Otay Nestor library on January 16<sup>th</sup> from 6-7pm.
- California American Water with the Grove Channel Project should have updates at the end of the month.

### **80<sup>th</sup> DISTRICT REPORTS**

Mayra Hernandez reported the following:

- College Fair on Saturday, January 20<sup>th</sup> from 9:00am-1:00pm at San Ysidro High School. Professionals and Spanish speaking assistance will be provided to assist with FAFSA applications and questions that anyone might have.

### **HISTORICAL TOPICS**

None.

### **REQUEST FOR CONTINUENCES**

None.

### **COMMUNICATIONS**

None.

### **RECREATION COUNCIL OFFICERS REPORTS**

President Dotty Giffen reported the following:

- Missed both Christmas events but hope they went well.
- Snow Day went well as expected.
- Thanks to Mike for donating a new cash box.
- Homeless presence in our parks.

Vice President Mike Grzenia

- Snow Day went well. Thanks to everyone for their help.

### **COMMUNITY PARKS II COMMITTEE**

None.

### **OTAY VALLEY REGIONAL PARK**

None.

### **ATHLETIC REPORTS**

Brendan Faubion with Chiefs Football and Cheer reported the following:

- Organization began in 1969 and folded in 2019 but want to bring more football and cheer and increase the attendance from this last year when it was first brought back.

### **STAFF REPORTS**

Center Director II, Taevee Davis reported the following:

- Basketball games starting soon.
- Adult Ceramics this season has been going great.
- Cookies with Santa/Toys for Tots Event went great. We had about 60 or so families and no issues with pickup.
- Strawberries Workshop is on February 8<sup>th</sup> for kids 6-17 years old.
- Carnival at Solis will be from February 15<sup>th</sup> through the 18<sup>th</sup>.
- Spring season starts back in March with soccer.

Area Manager, German Fimbres reported the following:

- Don Mauer Carnival February 15<sup>th</sup> through the 18<sup>th</sup> at the entrance of the park at Cesar Solis.
- Rain has been off and on, so our water has been off for a few weeks, but the grass is fine.
- Parks Foundation donated 25 trees to be planted at Montgomery Waller along the walkway from the gym to the baseball field.
- Rivera Del Sol power has connected. The connect was tested with the sprinkler system with about ¾ of the park. The sod will be installed some time in February.
- Our Ground Maintenance Supervisor has been working on the pedestrian side on the cobblestone project at Silver Wing Park.

Center Director III, CJ Saldana reported the following:

- USCD Health fair on April 13<sup>th</sup>.
- Toys for Tots had a great turnout. Thanks to SDPD for the donation of bikes.
- Snow Day was a little slow at the beginning but thank you to everyone for helping.
- We just ended Football with some of our teams to play in Citywide.
- Basketball has started with 10u and 12u playing games at Waller.
- Spring Program is being worked on with upcoming programs in March.
- A Dog show will be coming soon in July.
- Carnival will begin at Waller on February 8<sup>th</sup>.
- Field Renovation scheduled in December with some pushback due to rain is set to begin this week.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

None.

### **ACTION ITEMS**

None.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS AND INFORMATION**

- MWRC Carnival 2/8-11

- SWRC Strawberries Workshop 2/8 5:00-6:30pm
- CSRC Carnival 2/15/-18

**ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting was adjourned at 7:36 pm

**NEXT REGULAR MEETING**

February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024, at 7:00pm

Silver Wing Recreation Center

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Submitted by,

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Area Manager

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Dotty Giffen  
President

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