

**City of San Diego Parks & Recreation Department
 Otay Mesa Community Recreation Group
 April 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

Members Present (7)	Members Absent (0)	Staff Present (5)	Guest (4)
Dotty Giffen President	Cindy Rodriguez	German Fimbres	Steven Dawid
Mike Grzenia Vice President		CJ Saldana	Joey Carbullido
Alex Gutierrez Secretary		Carlos Edington	Eluid Campos
Sherri Gonzalez Treasury		Robert Broomfield	Rosa Macias- Gonzalez
Maria Carranza		Oscar Hernandez	Leonard Fallorina
Angelina Bravo		Jay Villanueva	Stephanie Turincio
		Mayra Hernandez	Maritza Hernandez
		Denise Figueroa	
		Sequoia Kriss	

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of October meeting minutes. Motion approved: Sherri G./ Alex G.
 4 yeah/0-Nay/0-Abstain

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

None.

FORMAL REQUEST FOR MEMBERSHIP

- Offered Membership to Rosa Gonzalez.

COMMUNITY RELATIONS REPORT

Carlos Edington reported the following:

- If someone is sleeping in a car, that's not enough for police to make contact.
- If there are any actions that seem suspicious, please call police and be very specific with details.
- Police will have a 4-step process when making contact.
- Residents of The City of San Diego should download the "Get It Done" application. Its very helpful.

COUNCIL DISTRICT 8 REPORTS

Roberto Broomfield reported the following:

- Managed to clean up Dahlia and Cedric Streets.
- Have been fixing streetlights. Aiming to getting more streetlights serviced.
- The next dumpster drop off is April 20th from 9am-12pm at Montgomery Waller.
- Budget Season is coming up, city council will hear from the mayor between May 1st to May 6th.
- On the 805 freeway, between Main Street and Palm, there is a bridge that will be replaced.

80th DISTRICT REPORTS

Mayra Hernandez reported the following:

- California State University will provide scholars a pivotal opportunity to pursue degrees with the incompleteness of international institutions.
- Beneficial by national approach, California CSU wants to attract international students.
- Also promoting innovative expertise.
- The hearing for this bill will be April 23rd.
- Disastrous response team is posting weekly needs for those that were affected by the flood. Every Monday from 5:30 to 7:30pm.

HISTORICAL TOPICS

None.

REQUEST FOR CONTINUENCES

None.

COMMUNICATIONS

Steven Dawid, Resident reported the following:

- On Grove Avenue, on the south side of the park. There are four telephone or power poles that have stuff growing around the poles, that can be a fire hazard.
- Area Manager. Jay Villanueva reported he will have his crew out there to clean it up.

Leonard Fallorina, Resident reported the following:

- Wants information on next meeting for the flood situation and to voice his opinion.

RECREATION COUNCIL OFFICERS REPORTS

President Dotty Giffen reported the following:

- Parks are looking very nice, very green. Rain has helped out a lot.
- A lot of loose dog complaints for Silver Wing.
- Cesar Solis is packed with soccer on the weekends.

Vice President Mike Grzenia reported the following.

- There has been a lot of comments on how good Montgomery Waller Park looks.
- Ground maintenance workers have been doing a great job keeping the park looking nice.

Secretary Alex Gutierrez reported the following.

- Nothing to report this month.

Treasure Sherry Gonzalez reported the following.

- Easter Egg Hunt at Cesar Solis was amazing. Tae did a really good job. Had a lot of people attend.
- Was not able to attend Montgomery Wallers but was told it was nice.

COMMUNITY PARKS II COMMITTEE

None.

OTAY VALLEY REGIONAL PARK

None.

ATHLETIC REPORTS

Vice President of SD Aztecs Joey Carbullino reported the following.

- Came to see if there was any way to help.

Eliud Campos reported the following.

- On April 27th the SD Nido Aguilas will have a community event from 10am to 2pm at Montgomery Waller Park.

President of Lucky Waller Little League Stephanie Turincio reported the following.

- Area manager Jay has helped a lot with keeping the baseball fields nice and clean.
- Parents have complained about keeping the Baseball fields up to date and Jay has helped with that.
- They painted the bathrooms.
- A lot of parents have felt on the downside that the city does not help, but they are not feeling like that anymore.

STAFF REPORTS

Oscar Hernandez reported the following:

- Easter Egg Hunt at Cesar Solis was a big hit, had a lot of people attend.
- Easter Egg Hunt at Silver Wing Park was a little smaller but still had the community come out and had a good time.
- We have 2 adult classes that we have added to our programs. Adult ceramics and Crochet class.
- Soccer leagues are starting soon, 10u Soccer games will be on Wednesdays and 12u Soccer games will be on Thursdays.
- Our 14u volleyball team will start their games in a couple weeks.
- We have a Mom & Me cupcake decorating workshop on May 4th from 10am to 11:30am, only \$10.
- On April 20th we will have a Teen Volunteer Event. From 12-2pm, teens that need community service hours can come and help around the recreation Center.
- We will have a busy summer this year, we have Summer Camp from June 10th to July 19th.

- We are also hosting an event called Parks After Dark, from June 20th to July 27th every Thursday, Friday, and Saturday from 5-8pm we will be having entertainment, food, games, and a lot of other activities for the whole family.

Area Manager II, German Fimbres

- Today the last plants were planted at Riviera Del Sol Park.
- Some time in July should be the grand opening.
- We have been receiving quite a bit of Get it Done's regarding off leash dogs.
- Our biggest assistance is when the community calls the San Diego Humane Society, they can issue citations to people with loose dogs.
- We will be having Movies at the Park on June 15th at Cesar Solis Park; the movie will be Migration.
- We will be having Movies at the Park on July 12th at Silver Wing; the movie will be Wonka.

Center Director III, CJ Saldana reported the following:

- Likes that the sports user groups are attending the meetings.
- Introduced Denise Figueroa, she is the New Assistant Center Director at Montgomery Waller.
- Had our Basketball Banquet, we had some teams make city-wide. We were able to give all our players some trophies at our Banquet.
- Our Easter Egg Hunt was a little tough this year. A flash flood warning was sent right before our Egg Hunt Started.
- Thank you, Silver Wing, for hosting the Soccer leagues that we get to participate in.
- April 28th will be our Day of the Child event from 10am-3pm at Montgomery Waller.
- Our UCSD Medical House fair will be here on Saturday April 13th.
- On August 3rd we will be having Movies in the Park. The movie is Elemental.
- Montgomery Waller is being hit with graffiti every weekend.
- Our Basketball gymnasium is still closed.
- We are looking to remove the antennas from the roof, once that is done then the city will help fix the roof.

Assistant Center Director Denise Figueroa Reported the following.

- We have some classes that we will be having during our summer season, we will be having Arts and Crafts, cooking classes, dance and cheer classes. For our sports we will be participating in soccer and volleyball.
- We received a high number of registrations which means we had to get more teams.
- We love to see the community join our teams.
- Other classes we will be offering are Belly-dancing, guitar club, karaoke, vocal training and Zumba classes.
- For the summer, we will be having a Sports Camp.
- For our summer camp we will be having young engineers, its something different for the kids.
- We are taking recommendations from patrons and asking them what they want here at Montgomery Waller. Some classes they have asked for are Cricut Class and Theater for kids, so we are very excited what we do with that.

Area Manager II, Jay Villanueva reported the following:

- Portable pool will likely be at Silver Wing for the Summer.
- South Bay Robert Egger Park is being renovated.
- In the past 2 months we have knocked out 5 GMW group projects.
- Cleaned up baseball fields for Opening Day.
- We will be out at the parks every other week making the parks look beautiful.

- I wanted to give a shout out to German Fimbres and his crew, we have been dealing with a lot of graffiti and the crews are good with painting it over as soon as they can.
- We have been having issues at Nestor Park and Berry Park with Graffiti.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

ACTION ITEMS

None.

UPCOMING EVENTS AND INFORMATION

- MWRC UCSD Health Fair April 13th from 10:00am-3:00pm
- MWRC Day of The Child Event on April 28th from 10:00am– 3:00pm
- SWRC Teen Volunteer Clean Up Event April 20th from 12:00-2:00pm
- SWRC Mom & Me Cupcake Decorating Workshop May 4th from 10:00am – 11:30am

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 7:58 pm

NEXT REGULAR MEETING

May 9th, 2024, at 7:00pm
 Montgomery Waller Recreation Center
 3020 Coronado Avenue, San Diego, CA 92154
 (619) 424-0466

Submitted by,

Reviewed by

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 Oscar Hernandez

 German Fimbres
 Area Manager

 Dotty Giffen
 President

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