

**Minutes of the Waukegan Park District
Special Meeting of the Board of Commissioners
November 27, 2012**

The Board of Commissioners of the Waukegan Park District met in a special meeting on November 27, 2012 in the Rose Administrative Center, 2000 Belvidere Street, Waukegan, Illinois.

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by President Sarocka who directed a call of the role.

II. Roll Call

Present: Commissioners Duffy, Motley, Kilkelly, and Sarocka . Also present were Executive Director Greg Petry and Board Attorney Charles Smith. Absent: Commissioner Foley.

III. Public Portion

No member of the public asked to address the Board

IV. Topic(s)

A. IAPD Credentials Certificate. **Motion by Commissioner Kilkelly, seconded by Commissioner Motley, to designate Pat Foley as the delegate to the IAPD January 2013 convention. Wayne Motley will be the first alternate, Terry Duffy is second alternate, and Bill Sarocka is the third alternate. Motion carried unanimously.**

Motion by Commissioner Duffy, seconded by Commissioner Kilkelly, to seat Commissioner Foley who arrived at 4:05 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

B. Chicago Wilderness Presentation. Emilian Geczi made a presentation, including power point and video, on the No Child Left Inside of the Chicago Wilderness initiative. Mr. Geczi explained the purpose and mission of the Chicago Wilderness organization and the key role that the Waukegan Park District has played in the development of programs for Waukegan Latinos & The Outdoors and African Americans & The Outdoors. No Child Left Inside is a project to get children involved in outdoor activities in an unstructured environment to explore nature and outdoor activities. In preparing this analysis for the Park District, Cultural Strategies helped to design programs to attract Latino and African American children to join the effort and to target these groups to get them involved in the No Child Left Inside initiative. The study recommends developing a nature navigator position to help find activities that will encourage minority children in particular, but all children to be involved in outdoor activities that are not associated with organized sports and to enjoy hiking, biking, gardening, and similar unstructured outdoor activities.

V. Closed Session

Motion by Commissioner Kilkelly, seconded by Commissioner Foley, to adjourn into closed session to discuss a personnel matter pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(C)(1). Roll call to the motion: Ayes: Duffy, Motley, Kilkelly, Foley and Sarocka. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried unanimously. Regular session adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

VII. Adjournment

Motion by Commissioner Foley, seconded by Commissioner Duffy, to adjourn the special meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 4:51 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles W. Smith
Secretary