

MINUTES FROM JANUARY 4, 2006
COMMUNITY SERVICES ADVISORY COMMISSION MEETING

Present: Judy Rowe, Bill Marshall, Bruce Abramson, Sharon Roberts, Catie Fairbanks-Cliffe, Janet Hoskin, Sue Weatherbie

Absent: Loralee Schaedel, Courtney Hale-Toon

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM.

Sue introduced and welcomed Bill Marshall and Bruce Abramson, our newly appointed members, to the Commission.

1. Minutes from the November 2, 2005 meeting were approved as emailed.
2. Election of a Commission Chairperson – Catie Fairbanks-Cliff volunteered to serve as the Commission Chair for 2006. The nomination was seconded by Judy Rowe and the vote was unanimous.
3. Adult Winter/Spring Program Update – Everyone should have received their brochure by now. The cover is an original watercolor by Cape Elizabeth resident, Bob Crane. Registrations for Adult programs started today with a significant traffic flow. Today also began the weeklong lottery draw for youth programs. Sue provided the new members of the Commission with a brief overview of the philosophy, history and procedures for the lottery draw.
4. Winter Youth Programs– Ski Programs: Sunday River once again, did not get sufficient enrollment to run the program. We needed a minimum of 35 students and only 22 registered. We attempted to join forces with South Portland or Gorham, but even that did not work. Community Services will offer a one time ski day at Sunday River on the no school day of January 27th. The Shawnee Peak program reached maximum enrollment of 89 participants. The orientation is scheduled for tomorrow, January 5, 2006. Community Services will also offer an extra trip to Shawnee Peak for the Pond Cove/Middle School group on the January 27th, no school day. **Basketball Programs:** All programs are going well. Programs resume this Saturday after two weeks off due to the holidays. The Kindergarten program begins this Saturday and is full with 40 registered. **Nordic Ski Program:** Doing well, despite the no snow conditions. We have had to travel further to find snow for practices and meets.
5. Extended School Care Program Update: We have moved the wait list significantly. As we approach the second semester of the program, it will be necessary to change staff schedules as several staff are college students and their

- course schedules have changed. Also, several staff will be coaching in the schools in both the winter and spring semester. The annual trip to the Dollar Store was successful. Each child purchases a gift, wraps it and it is given to the school social worker to go into the gift baskets that are distributed to families in the community.
6. Senior Citizens: Upcoming programs include; a trip to Disney on Ice on January 22, a luncheon and auction on January 26, and a luncheon with entertainer, Jose Duddy on Valentines Day. We have started a free drop-in walking program in the Community Center on Tuesday and Thursday mornings.
 7. Pool and Fitness Center Update: Things have been very busy due to the weather not being very conducive for outdoor activities and also our heaviest use time for interscholastic swim season.
 8. Budgets: **CS Budget** draft due to Superintendent and Business Manager on January 11, 2006. The budget is up slightly due to energy costs and a capitol improvement (CIP) component added to the operational budget. At this point the **Pool Budget** process has addressed only the CIP requests. Budget is due to the Manager on February 17th.
 9. Boards and Commission Orientation: Orientation is scheduled for Thursday, January 26, with a snow date of Monday, January 30. Invitations should be forth coming in the mail.
 10. Other Business: **Upcoming meeting dates:** March 1, April 5, May 10, June 7. Commission members were asked to help generate a list of items and information for a "Welcome to the Community Packet" This item will be added to the agenda for the March 1, 2006 meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Weatherbie