

## PONCHATOULA AREA RECREATION DISTRICT #1

### CHAIRMAN AND BOARD

The PARD # 1 held a regular meeting on Thursday, July 21, 2016. Rocquin called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m. and the roll was called.

Present: Rocquin, Fletcher, Palmer, Kennedy, Byers

Absent: None

Guest: Jourdan Curet- Moschitta, Cathy Ivy, Craig Carpenter, Edward & Veronica Palmer

Rocquin asked to allow guest to move up on the agenda to allow them to leave at their convenience. Jourdan Moschitta did a presentation to establish a dog park at the PARD. The board decided to get back with her after more information could be obtained about the hardship that it may cause to PARD.

Cathy Ivy discussed the upcoming 2016 Ponchatoula Youth Basketball season and the name change that will take place. The new name will be Ponchatoula Basketball Association.

Craig Carpenter discussed the Miracle League Organization that has now been established on the Northshore being held at Coquille Park. The Northshore contact will be Noble-Bates Young 601-431-0696 if anyone is interested in the league organization.

The Palmers (not on agenda) presented information about the upcoming football camp they were hosting as a way to raise funds for a scholarship program.

After reviewing the June 23, 2016 regular meeting minutes, Fletcher made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Palmer seconded the motion. There being no discussion, all board members present were in favor and the motion passed.

After a review of the financials, Palmer made a motion to accept the financial review report prepared by Martin. Kennedy seconded the motion. There being no discussion, all board members present were in favor and the motion passed.

Rocquin read the athletic coordinator report prepared by Tisha Smith.

Ponchatoula Youth Football registration has now started. They will have two walk-in registration on the 23<sup>rd</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> of July. PYF will host a jamboree on August 27<sup>th</sup> and games will be played on Saturdays. Playoffs are tentatively scheduled for the 1<sup>st</sup> week in December. Ponchatoula Youth Baseball Fall ball registration will

begin on July 25<sup>th</sup> for ages 7-14. The Ponchatoula Jaycees Charity Softball Tournament will be July 30 with all proceeds to benefit Adopt-A-Family Christmas. A new fitness class will begin on August 1. Dance2fit classes will be held on Mondays and Wednesdays at the Events building. Smith will attend the August board meeting to give an update on the upcoming Volleyball season.

Martin announced Ponchatoula Area Recreation District # 1 will hold a Public Meeting on Thursday, August 18, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. in the gymnasium conference room, 19030 Ponchatoula Park Drive, Ponchatoula, LA to levy the 10-mil and 4-mil Ad Valorem property taxes.

Under the Park Manager report, new signage to identify the Cypress and Tangi Football fields are up. It was another successful baseball season and the fields have now started to be renovated. The yearly spread of bifenthrin, ant poison will begin soon. The "NO" signage was discussed and Fletcher suggested placing the "NO" signs on the backstops and you enter the park or some other alternative. The ideas was tabled for a later discussion. Large fans will be added to Pavilion #2 and the camera system will be updated. Sizing for the generator for the data room is in the works. The stripe bass and the perch in the pond are growing and the number of turtles are down. The request for a fishing rodeo will be discussed at a later date.

Under the chairman report, Rocquin discussed the success of the annual fireworks show. All Thank you notes for the fireworks show has been sent out. The fireworks show for 2017 may be held on a Monday and gates for Pavilion #2 will be kept locked. Rocquin informed the board that the Strawberry Festival ball will be held in the gym on March 4<sup>th</sup>. Byers suggested that no youth sports should be interrupted due to any outside rentals without discussion with that sport in the future.

Rocquin stated that the board needed to go into Executive Session, Fletcher made a motion to accept going into Executive Session. Palmer seconded the motion. There being no discussion, all board members were in favor and the motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

Ronnie Rocquin, Chairman

Charlotte Martin, Executive Secretary