



# Oceano Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting

## Summary Minutes

Tuesday, April 2, 2024 – 1:00 P.M.  
Oceano Community Services District

1. **Call To Order:** The meeting was called to order by Chair Joyce-Suneson at 1:20 PM.

2. **Roll Call:**

<b>Present:</b> Beverly Joyce-Suneson, OPARC Chair Charles Varni, Board President OCSD Andy Stenson, Director of Facilities, LMUSD Jasmine Dexter, Boys & Girls Club Nicole Miller, Account Administrator OCSD	<b>Absent:</b> Wanda Monson, Safe Routes to School Chair Ray Monson, Member at Large Bruce Hilton, Co of SLO Parks Commissioner Jeanie Harper, Habitat for Humanity
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3. **Agenda Review:** Accepted as presented

4. **Public Comment on Matters Not On the Agenda:** None

5A Consent Agenda	Discussion/Action:
Review and Approval of Minutes for the Oceano Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting of March 5, 2024	The minutes were accepted as presented, with a motion from Mr. Varni and a 4-0 member vote.  Public Comment: None

6.1 Business Items	Discussion/Action:
Discussion of: a) OPARC meeting time b) Application form for community committee member volunteers c) New appointee to OPARC from County Parks and Recreation	Committee discussion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Member Varni moved to change the meeting time to 1:30 pm with a second from Member Joyce-Suneson and a 4-0 member vote.</li> <li>•Member Joyce-Suneson moved to approve the committee member volunteer form as presented, with a second from Member Varni and a 4-0 member vote.</li> <li>• Receive and file; no action taken – the position is open until filled.</li> </ul> Public Comment: None

6.2 Business Items	Discussion/Action:
Discussion of potential revisions to the OPARC Bylaws and approve recommendations to the Board of Directors as deemed appropriate	Committee discussion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Bylaws will be posted to the OPARC page of the OCSD website when finalized.</li> </ul> Public Comment: None

<b>6.3 Business Items</b>	<b>Discussion/Action:</b>
Review and discussion of alternatives for non-profit, tax-deductible fundraising options and developing recommendations to the Board of Directors as deemed appropriate	<p>Committee discussion:</p> <p>Member Varni presented three options:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The creation of a 501 3(c) non-profit</li> <li>2. LMUSD handling and tracking donations for OES track</li> <li>3. Move forward with retaining Ecologistics as OPARCs fiscal sponsor</li> </ol> <p>The committee decided to explore the option of Lucia Mar Unified School District handling donations and tracking for the walking/jogging track option and will revisit this item at the next OPARC meeting.</p> <p>Public Comment: None</p>

<b>6.4 Business Items</b>	<b>Discussion/Action:</b>
Discussion of an OPARC page on the District website and develop recommendations as deemed appropriate	<p>Committee discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A landing page on the District website is desired, and Mrs. Miller has created a draft page for the committee to review. Once final revisions are provided, the page will go live and can be updated as needed by District staff.</li> </ul> <p>Public Comment: None</p>

<b>6.5 Business Items</b>	<b>Discussion/Action:</b>
<p>Event updates:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Free Health and Community Resource Fair held on March 24, 2024</li> <li>b. Oceano Elementary School – Bike Rodeo on Saturday, April 13, 2024</li> <li>c. The Boys &amp; Girls Club – Oceano Day of the Child on Sunday, April 14, 2024</li> </ol>	<p>Committee discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Member Varni presented on the Health and Resource Fair noting bad weather (rain) and low attendance. The event did afford a wonderful networking opportunity for the vendors.</li> <li>• OPARC will have a table at the Bike Rodeo</li> <li>• OPARC will have a table at Oceano Day of the Child</li> <li>• Other discussions included creating a logo for branded materials needed for events. Member Stenson indicated he would inquire with the local high school graphic classes to see if they might be able to create a logo. Member Dexter suggested a logo contest within the community.</li> </ul> <p>Public Comment: None</p>

<b>6.6 Business Items</b>	<b>Discussion/Action:</b>
State Parks representative for OPARC	<p>Committee discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Member Varni presented the idea of a collaboration with State Parks and will reach out to them to discuss. OPARC committee members supported this idea.</li> </ul> <p>Public Comment: None</p>

6.7 Business Items	Discussion/Action:
OPARC/OES Track & Fundraiser discussion and update	<p>Committee discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Member Stenson presented the artistic rendering donated by 19six Architects. The LMUSD Board of Directors was presented with the walking/jogging track concept and was in favor of supporting it. He also noted that LMUSD would be able to help with labor associated with the building and possibly other costs. The track shape may change due to ADA access, the backstop, and an effort to make the track as close to a quarter-mile lap as possible.</li> <li>• Member Varni noted he sent a thank you note to the architect for their time and donation.</li> <li>• The track would be accessible to the public outside of school hours and during daylight hours only.</li> </ul> <p>Public Comment: None</p>

6.8 Business Items	Discussion/Action:
Safe Route to Beach Project discussion and update	<p>Committee discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Member Varni recapped communication with Caltrans regarding the 900 ft. of walking space on Hwy 1 that is exposed. An interim solution is for Caltrans to install channelizers; a permanent barrier is being discussed. Caltrans would require the District to enter into a maintenance agreement for the channelizers. The District will need to review a draft agreement before presenting this as an agenda item.</li> </ul> <p>Public Comment: None</p>

6.9 Business Items	Discussion/Action:
Fieldtrip Grant from State Parks Organization discussion and update	<p>Committee discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Member Varni noted that field trips have all been scheduled, with several completed. Oceano Elementary School tracks the attendance of students, teachers, and volunteers for each field trip. Fieldtrips are currently within budget and a huge success with the students.</li> </ul> <p>Public Comment: None</p>

**7. Items for Next Agenda:**

OPARC Marketing (logo, social media, budget); Continued discussion of alternatives for non-profit, tax-deductible fundraising; Event updates; Track planning and fundraising; other items as needed.

The next OPARC meeting will be Tuesday, May 7, 2024, at 1:30 PM.

**8. Adjournment at 2:26 PM.**