Fox Valley Park Foundation Board of Directors
Meeting Minutes
November 18, 2019  4:30PM
Cole Center
101 W. Illinois Ave., Aurora

1.0  Call Meeting to Order
Chairman Kelsey called the meeting to order at 4:38pm.

2.0  Roll Call
Chairman Kelsey directed the Board Secretary to take attendance by roll call. The following members of the
Fox Valley Park Foundation Board of Directors were present: Mavis Bates, Mark Buschbacher, Kevin
Fitzpatrick, Roger Schnorr, and Chairman LuAnne Kelsey. Absent: Theodia Gillespie and Joe Khouri.
Excused absent: Cintia Abney, Alex Alexandrou, Matt Hicks, Jr., and Karen Nelson. There was not a quorum.
Also present: Jon Michael, Diana Erickson, John Kramer, Jaime Ijams, Rachel Ossyra, and Ivan Chambers.

3.0  Addenda to the Agenda
None presented.

4.0  Approve Meeting Minutes:

4.1  August 12, 2019
There was not a quorum present, however, Chairman Kelsey called for a provisional approval of the
August 12, 2019 meeting minutes pending a quorum or electronic voting by additional Directors.
Roger Schnorr made a provisional motion to approve, seconded by Kevin Fitzpatrick. Roll call
voting Aye: Mavis Bates, Mark Buschbacher, Kevin Fitzpatrick, Roger Schnorr and Chairman
LuAnne Kelsey. Voting Aye via email: Cintia Abney and Theodia Gillespie. Voting Nay: none and
the minutes were approved.

4.2  October 7, 2019
There was not a quorum present, however, Chairman Kelsey called for a provisional approval of the
October 7, 2019 meeting minutes pending a quorum or electronic voting by additional Directors.
Mavis Bates made a provisional motion to approve, seconded by Roger Schnorr. Roll call
voting Aye: Mavis Bates, Mark Buschbacher, Kevin Fitzpatrick, Roger Schnorr and Chairman
LuAnne Kelsey. Voting Aye via email: Cintia Abney and Theodia Gillespie. Voting Nay: none and
the minutes were approved.
5.0 Executive Director’s Report

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Director Pilmer reported on:

• The recent awards given to the Fox Valley Park District including the IAPD Best of the Best Award for Arts in the Park and the Readers Choice Award for Stuart Sports Complex from Sports Events Media Group. Both are indicative of the great work being done by the staff across many departments at FVPD.
• The Giving Tuesday campaign on December 3, 2019 to support the Fox Valley Park Foundation.
• On December 10, 2019 the FVPD Board of Commissioners will vote on the 2020 budget in the amount of $39,818,512.

6.0 Continued Business

6.1 Scholarship Program Update

Chairman Kelsey reported on a meeting she had with Theodia Gillespie, Roger Schnorr and Karen Nelson regarding the development of a scholarship program whereby the Foundation would award six $500 scholarships to students who meet the following criteria:

• Residency with the Fox Valley Park District service area.
• Current high school senior having been accepted to a college, university or trade school, Or, a current student enrolled in a college, university or trade school for the 2020-2021 academic year.
• Preference given to students pursuing training or degrees in Parks and Recreation or other areas that support the Parks and Recreation industry. *This criterion is still up for discussion and refinement.*
• Sealed official transcript must be included with the application.
• One letter of recommendation must be included with the application.

Chairman Kelsey asked for input from the Directors and staff regarding the third bullet point. The target date for distribution of the application materials is March 1, 2020, applications must be received at the Cole Center by April 1, 2020. It is expected that the scholarships will be awarded at the Golf For Kids closing ceremony in June 2020.

7.0 New Business

7.1 Approve 2020 Meeting Schedule

There was not a quorum present, however, Chairman Kelsey called for a provisional approval of the 2020 Meeting Schedule pending a quorum or electronic voting by additional Directors. She made note that the first meeting of the year would be held on February 24, 2020 at 4:30pm.


7.2 Review and approve grant proposals and request Fox Valley Park Foundation funding to provide opportunities for youth Participation in recreational programs, camps and activities.

Jaime Ijams recommended approval of the 2020 grant proposals. There was not a quorum present, however, Chairman Kelsey called for a provisional approval of the grant proposals pending a quorum

8.0 Adjournment
Chairman Kelsey wished a Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays to all and adjourned the meeting at 5:03pm.

Respectfully submitted by:

Kim Nooncaster
Board Secretary