



## **15 in 5 PLAY Task Force**

### **FAR (Fields, Aquatic, Recreation) Subcommittee Meeting Minutes**

April 18, 2006

Ambroz Recreation Center

7:30-8:30 AM

### **Meeting Business**

Meeting called to order by chairman Alan Bernard.

#### **Informational**

Kristi Skjerdal informed the subcommittee that she will be unable to attend all meetings in the future because of job responsibilities. She indicated she would continue to distribute the meeting minutes as given to her by secretary Ron Gonder and would continue to send out the meeting notices.

#### **TV Program**

Bernard said he would represent both subcommittees of PLAY on an upcoming TV program taping for a series that Mediacom is doing on the 15 in 5 projects.

#### **Recreation Center Seminar**

With regard to sending people from this subcommittee to a recreation seminar in Denver in June Bernard reported that the Chamber of Commerce will provide \$1,000 in funding and that the subcommittee will have to find its own remaining funds for the seminar attendance. Bernard indicated he has a couple possible sources of funding that he will contact and would like to fund at least three people to attend. The cost to attend per person would be about \$1,800.

#### **Partnering With Commercial Entities**

A discussion was held with regard to the presentation that was made at the full committee meeting on April 6<sup>th</sup> by Brian Classman of Libertyville, IL on the recreation complex that was built there in collaboration with commercial entities. Discussion was held on how to combine a city recreation center to replace the existing Ambroz Center, a senior center to replace the existing Witwer Center and an aquatics center to replace Bender Pool. It was suggested that the full PLAY committee needs to raise some funds to be used for planning a recreation complex design and siting. Siting was noted as the major factor in keeping the three entities together in one recreation complex.

### **Other Communities**

Discussion was held on contacting other communities around the country on how their recreation complexes were done. Julie Sina indicated she has an opportunity to get some of this type of information at a forthcoming meeting.

### **Members Present**

Chairman Alan Bernard, Secretary Ron Gonder, Kristi Skjerdal, Tom Saxen, Jim Voss, Julie Sina, Judy Fitzgibbons, Kim Hilby, Tom DeBoom and Joy Long.

### **Next FAR Subcommittee Meeting**

Tuesday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 7:30-8:30 AM, Ambroz Recreation Center