



## **PLAY Taskforce Meeting Minutes**

July 6, 2006 7:30-9:00

Ambroz Recreation Center

**Attendance: K. Hilby, S. Bruns, J. Sina, M. Bowers, J. Bjorseth, M. Day, J. Voss, K. Skjerdal, A. Bernard, J. Fitzgibbons, B. Carlson, R. Gonder, A. Bernard**

### **Meeting Business**

Kristi announced that she will be leaving Iowa later this month to return to California. Her husband has a career opportunity that he couldn't pass up. Myrt thanked her for the fantastic leadership skills she shared with us. We will miss her, but wish her well.

### **FAR Subcommittee Report**

The Denver workshop attendees reported on their experiences including the meetings, sharing, and touring information. They were all pleased with the information they had acquired. Kim Hilby presented a listing of features that are considered important for recreational facilities. Judy Fitzgibbons also presented a brief summary of the tours she attended, including photos. The key question answered by the tours was "what would you do differently?" Alan presented information on the feasibility study process saying that the group should expect \$60,000 to \$75,000 in costs for a full feasibility study (the recommended route) and \$10,000 to \$12,000 for focus group research only. The point was made that the data from the 2003 feasibility study is still valid and we can leverage off this for another study. Individuals consulted at the Denver conference recommended that you make sure that all stakeholders are on board from the beginning, even for the feasibility study.

Alan clarified that his comment on the sustainability of a 50 meter pool in his last report does not mean that the Aquatic Center will not have this type of pool, but that it is important to understand the practicalities such a decision would entail. Another conference will be held in Las Vegas next year that will offer an important opportunity to access consultants.

## **Community Center Subcommittee Report**

The St. Louis workshop was discussed. There are 3 people interested in attending, but no financial assistance has been located. Alan shared that some grant money might still be available so Myrt was going to investigate. Sandy shared she had made a phone call to the 800 number in St Louis. She spoke to a conference planner who agreed to arrange separate tours to the senior/activity centers if it was requested at the time of registration, but she didn't follow up on his offer because Abbe, Inc. would not grant paid time off for an ASI employee to attend.

Myrt indicated that committee members had completed the reconstruction of the Witwer mission statement to reflect needs of all agencies involved. It wasn't available to share because the committee hadn't proofed the rewrite yet. They also need to meet with New Bohemia and Henry Davidson to seek their input prior to statements completion.

### **July Subcommittee Meetings:**

**FAR, July 18**

**Senior/Community Center, July 13 and 27.**

**Next meeting of full PLAY Task Force is August 3**