

Community Advisory Committee (PAC) Meeting Two

Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board Pesticide Advisory Committee Meeting

January 3, 2019 5:00 – 7:00pm
Board Room

PAC members present: Russ Henry (Chair), Simba Blood, James Calkins, Kari Christianson, Christy Dolph, Janice Gepner, Mike Lynch, Jack MacKenzie, Ellen Sones, and Luna Zeidner

Approximately 4 members of the general public attended the meeting.

Staff, commissioners, and speakers present:

Jeremy Barrick, (MPRB), Roberta Groening (MPRB), Jennifer Ringold (MPRB), Chris Meyer (Commissioner) and Meg Forney (Commissioner) Brad Bourn (Commissioner)

1. Opening: 5:00 pm

The second Pesticide Advisory Committee Meeting was called to order at 5:00 pm by the Community Advisory Committee Chair.

2. Introductions

The PAC members were asked to introduce themselves, affiliation (if relevant) and asked to identify their favorite park.

Notes from the 12/12/18 meeting were reviewed

Meeting notes from December 12, 2018 were amended and approved.

A staff member reviewed access to the committee reference folder

Staff member reviewed next meetings and scheduling

3. Agenda (for Action)

- Committee approved Jan. 3rd Agenda

4. Group Norms (group activity)

Presenter: MPRB Consultant

- See Committee member summary of exercise

5. Parameters exercise (group activity)

Presenter: MPRB Consultant

- See Committee member summary of exercise

6. PAC Goals exercise: What does success look like? (group activity)

Presenter: MPRB Consultant

- See Committee member summary of exercise



7. Governance:

Presenter: MPRB President and Committee chair

- Committee chair reviewed Committee charge and MPRB Engagement Policy
- Committee chair introduced Bylaw examples for the Pesticide Committee to review and consider adopting
- Committee chair indicated the group may want to consider a co-chair and executive committee
- Committee chair indicated the group could also go back to the MPRB board and request clearer directions
- At the committee chair's request for initial comment regarding the bylaws the membership had the following observations;
 - The example bylaws are more complex than a committee of fifteen may need but are open to considering bylaws
 - Another committee member indicated it may be helpful to have a structure for ease of working together
 - Yet another committee member indicated that having a "guide" for reference would be helpful as the process moved along
 - A committee member asked if the committee chair had an individual in mind when referring to co-chairs
 - A committee member suggested that the committee maybe consider using the group norms learned earlier in the evening as a structure for the four-month engagement until the report to the board in April 2019 and consider using the bylaw structure for the longer-term two-year Pesticide Advisory Committee engagement
 - Staff shared examples of two other MPRB CAC Ground Rules and Group Agreements.
 - Staff reviewed the use of view works as a data base management tool for providing a summary of chemical usage in the park system for years 2017 and 2018

8. Open Comment Time:

- A member of the public expressed her appreciation for the charge and the committee and hoped the committee would consider adopting the bylaws in order to provide structure for the committee's work

9. Adjourn – Meeting was adjourned at 6:46 pm

Handouts: Agenda, 12/12/18 Meeting notes, example bylaws and Community Engagement Policy