Wenatchee Valley Sports Council Board of Director Meeting - Wenatchee Parks Department Tuesday, March 15th, 2011

Attendance: Caryl Morrell, Sally Brawley, Trina Elmes, Eric Bakke, Ryan Baker, BJ Kuntz, Dan Kelly, Mark Madland, Ken Osborne, Dan White, Ernie Rodriguez, Dave Graybill & Eric Granstrom. Guests: Gary Looney, Eddie Gonzalez & Anthony McCarty.

Call to Order/Passage of Minutes:

Meeting was called to order by Vice President Sally B. at 12:00 pm. Minutes from the January 18th meeting were moved for approval by Dan K. and seconded by Erik B. Motion carried.

Old Business:

WVVB & SC Contract with Wenatchee

Eric told the board the Cities of Wenatchee and East Wenatchee voted to extend the contract for visitor services with the Wenatchee Valley Visitors Bureau and Sports Council through the end of 2011. Annual reports will be given to each City Council's at a future date and Eric asked that board members be present to show support for the Sports Council. In addition, Eric said he's part of the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee which is meeting to recommend future spending of hotel/motel tax dollars in the City of Wenatchee. He said he's not sure what the eventual recommendation will be but will keep the board apprised of the progress.

SC Future

Discussion about the Sports Council Board's future revolved around a survey taken by board members following January's meeting. Erik B. moved that the Sports Council Executive Board, made up of the President, Vice President and Secretary meet monthly with the entire board meeting every other month. The motion was seconded by Dave G. Following discussion and agreeing to continue meeting on the third Tuesday of the month, the motion carried.

New Business:

Replacements for Bruce Bennett and Mark Madland

Mark M. introduced the board to Gary Looney, whom he'd like to replace him on the board. Gary is very involved in youth baseball in the Wenatchee Valley and recently led a fundraising campaign to build a new clubhouse at Morris Little League Park. Erik B. moved to accept Gary Looney to the Board. Dan K. seconded. Motion carried. Eric G. also said Bruce Bennett had decided to step down from the board and that applications would be accepted at the Sports Council office until April 15th. Received applications would be discussed at the next board meeting April 19th.

Triple Crown Opening Ceremonies

Eric asked the board for help manning Wii's during the Opening Ceremonies of the Triple Crown Tournament Friday, April 8th at the Wenatchee Convention Center. Trina, Caryl, Ken, Dave and Dan volunteered to help.

Committee Creation

Committees were also formed to focus attention on events board members felt were primary concerns for the Sports Council as well as taking care of the business aspects of the organization. Volunteers for committee positions were as follows:

Triple Crown Opening Ceremonies

Caryl Morrell Tina Elmes Ken Osborne Erik Bakke

Coaches of Inspiration

Ernie Rodriguez Caryl Morrell Sally Brawley Dan White Erik Bakke

Live 4 Adventure Race

Dan Kelly BJ Kuntz Dan White

Thunder Swamp Races

Caryl Morrell

O'Terry's Softball Tournament

Trina Elmes Caryl Morrell Ryan Baker Ernie Rodriguez

Ski Fever Ski Show in Seattle

Dan Kelly

NCW High School Basketball Showcase

Dan Kelly Caryl Morrell Trina Elmes Ken Osborne Ernie Rodriguez

Budget Committee

Sally Brawley
Trina Elmes

Marketing Committee

Dave Graybill Trina Elmes Ernie Rodriguez

Events Committee

Caryl Morrell BJ Kuntz Ryan Baker

Facilities Committee

Mark Madland/Gary Looney BJ Kuntz Ryan Baker Erik Bakke

Information/Intelligence

Trina Elmes Caryl Morrell

Directors Report:

Eric passed out the Annual Report of the Sports Council to the board and asked them to read it at their leisure. He said sports tourism, overall was down only 1% in 2010 thanks in large part to the Western Elite Ski Series; Triple Crown Baseball Tournament; and Robertson Cup Hockey Tournament. Eric said he's also the webmaster for Live 4 Adventure, Thunder Swamp and the Sports Council websites.

Roundtable:

One note of interest that came in the roundtable was from Ryan Baker at the PUD. He said concessions at Kirby Billingsley Hydro Park would be handled this year by the Colockum Community Council.

Next Meeting:

The next meeting will be on April 19th at Noon at the Town Toyota Center.

Dan K. moved to adjourn at 1:39pm. It was seconded by Caryl M. Motion carried.

Respectively submitted, Trina Elmes and Eric Granstrom