

DIRECTOR INFORMATION for GENERAL BOARD MEETING May 11, 2021 Redmond Area Park and Recreation District 465 SW Rimrock Dr PO BOX 843 Redmond, OR 97756 Administrative office phone – 541-548-7275

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Hayes McCoy, Chairman Matt Gilman, Vice-Chairman Ed Danielson, Director JoAnne Fletcher, Director Zack Harmon, Director

RAPRD STAFF LEADERSHIP TEAM

Katie Hammer, Executive Director
Mike Elam, Recreation Manager
Jessica Rowan, Aquatic Director
Margaret Maffai, Development Director
Vicki Osbon, Administrative Services Manager

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GENERAL BOARD MEETING AGENDA May 11, 2021 7:30AM

This meeting will take place electronically using the following link: https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/775357389

There is also an option to call in to the meeting at this number (toll free)

1-866-899-4679 Access Code: 757-357-389

AGENDA

1. Call to Order

Adjustments to the Agenda

- 2. **Communications** (Comments by Citizens are Limited to 3 Minutes)
- 3. Consent Agenda

Approval of the General Board Meeting Minutes from April 13, 2021 Acknowledgement of Receipt of April Financial Summary

4. Action Agenda Items

Award contract for Recreation Management Software Approval of HVAC repairs at Cascade Swim Center

5. Discussion Items

Board Member Duties and Responsibilities policy Board Member Orientation Executive Director Job Performance Review

- 6. Public Comments
- 7. Board/Staff Comments
- 8. Adjournment

Public comments will be taken during the meeting. Written comments will also be accepted prior to the meeting. Written comments received by 5:00pm on March 8, 2021 will be read during the public comment section of the meeting on March 9, 2021. Comments by video or phone will be taken during the public comment section of the meeting on March 9, 2021; Comments, both written and electronic, will be subject to a 3-minute limit per community member.



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REDMOND AREA PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS Minutes of General Meeting

A general meeting of the Board of Directors of the Redmond Area Park and Recreation District convened via video conference in Redmond, Oregon, April 13, 2021 at 7:30am.

Attendance:

Directors Present: Hayes McCoy (joined meeting at 7:35am)

Matt Gilman

Zack Harmon (left meeting at 7:58am)

JoAnne Fletcher Ed Danielson

Directors Absent:

Staff: Katie Hammer, Executive Director

Jessica Rowan, Aquatic Director (joined meeting at 7:55am)

Mike Elam, Recreation Manager

Vicki Osbon, Administrative Services Manager

Media: None

Public: Jon Bullock, Redmond City Council

Liz Goodrich, DURAC Chuck Arnold, DURAC Mercedes Cook-Bostick Jeremiah Pederson

John Golden Kevin Scoggin

GENERAL MEETING:

1. Call to Order:

Matt Gilman called the meeting to order at 7:31am

2. Communications:

None

3. Consent Agenda:

Approval of the General Board Meeting Minutes from March 9, 2021; Acknowledgment of Receipt of March 2021 Financial Summary:

Joanne Fletcher made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Ed Danielson seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

4. Action Agenda Items:

Appoint Budget Committee Member:

Katie Hammer explained that we have one opening on our budget committee for a fill in for the term ending on June 30, 2021 and we have two applicants. She said Cathleen Wallace who was a swim instructor for RAPRD but is not currently employed with the district and David Byrd who uses the swim center and is a retired park director. Joanne Fletcher motioned to appoint David Byrd as a budget committee member. Ed Danielson seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Smith Rock Bicycle Park Lease Agreement:

Katie Hammer explained there is a BMX track at the High Desert Sports Complex and that section is leased by the non-profit Smith Rock Bicycle Park. She said this would extend their lease for an additional 5 years. They pay a \$1 per year to lease it and reimburse us for utility costs. JoAnne Fletcher made a motion to approve the Smith Rock Bicycle Park Lease Agreement. Hayes McCoy seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Remote Working Policy:

Katie Hammer said that this is influenced partially by COVID and losing the Activity Center in December. She said we do not currently have a remote working policy, but she anticipates that after COVID is over and a lack of office space she anticipates the recreation staff will be working remotely. Katie also said that our HR/Payroll specialist is moving out of the area and has requested being able to work remotely on a trial basis and she has been working remotely most of the year and there has been no negative impact with her availability to staff for HR questions. Ed Danielson asked that if this could have a 90-day trial period and Katie would update the board in 3 months to be sure things are working properly. Katie replied that the policy does include that. Hayes McCoy made a motion to approve the remote working policy. Zack Harmon seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

5. Discussion Items:

District Name Change/ Marketing: Matt Gilman said that he and Katie Hammer have been meeting informally about plans for the potential bond measure for the community center. Matt said they have tried to take learnings of what did and did not work well. Matt also said he is very interested in hiring a marketing consultant to help the district

clearly communicate our message. Zack Harmon said this is a good opportunity to reassess what we are as a district and what we can offer. Rebranding is a good fresh start even to programs and activities. Katie Hammer said there are funds identified in the current years and next year's budget for marketing. She said she can get a few estimates and have them ready for the May meeting for the board to vote on. Katie Hammer asked if there could be discussion about a location. She said that Chuck Arnold and Liz Goodrich from DURAC were present. Katie asked if board members were still interested in exploring any potential opportunities in the downtown urban renewal boundary specifically mid-town which would be somewhere near the hospital as there is nothing really in the downtown core. She did not know if the board would like her to potentially look for other properties or focus on the 35th street property. Ed Danielson said that he is opposed to finding something other than the 35th street property. JoAnn Fletcher and Matt Gilman were in agreeance with Ed Danielson. Chuck Arnold said the point of them coming today that DURAC had a very exhaustive work plan discussion about how urban renewal priorities over the coming fiscal year and the priority of what should be invested is family-oriented entertainment. Liz Goodrich said that there is an importance of bringing family entertainment in the downtown core and partnering with RAPRD could be a temporary partnership. He said a partnership could be a private, such as a bowling alley, or public partnership such as ours but the land they would be looking at would be Antler to the North and Veterans Way to the South.

Jessica Rowan said the prospect of partnering with something downtown even if it is not the large facility we are looking for, has potential. She said that if there are recreation family draws to downtown area it benefits the businesses.

Board Member Orientation:

Katie Hammer said that these are discussion items on action agenda items and it the board has any changes they can be moved to an action item for next month. She said that she realized that the board is supposed to be reviewing them annually and the purpose of the review is to make sure they are current.

Goals Progress:

Katie Hammer mentioned that the RFP for recreation software closes next week. Approval of the software will be on the May agenda.

6. Public Comments:

Matt Gilman thanked the public for being there and their comments.

7. Board Staff Comments:

Jessica Rowan, Aquatic Director, said that they have been slowly ramping up all our programs at the pool as we have been able to move categories and acquiring the programs we had previously and adopting some new ones. We are looking at beginning swim lessons again next week although we are limited on the number of staff to teach lessons. Bend Waves Water polo will start up a program at the pool that will run daily during the

week and splash ball program in the summer. Swim team is up and running under COVID guidelines. She said there is an HVAC issue that she and Darren Kosanke, Pool Maintenance, are working on. The engineers are drawing the specs and then we will have more information on the costs.

Mike Elam, Recreation Manager, said that spring soccer is up and going. Softball registration is ending on the 16th and thought it would be a great idea to do board/staff teams. He said hopefully if we go into extreme risk again it doesn't affect it. He said they are also looking for someone to do concessions at the HDSC, and how important it is when we have tournaments out there to be able to offer that amenity to the folks who ae there all day. He also said fitness classes are taking off.

Ed Danielson said that one thing he is thinking of as we progress towards a bond levy is a very thorough assessment of the pool and its equipment. Jessica Rowan responded that we want to be careful as we move forward. She said she knows we have aging facility and equipment. She said there is preventative maintenance underway, and it will become more and more expensive as we go along to update the facility as regulations change as equipment needs to be updated and equipment ages out.

Katie Hammer, Executive Director, said that we have not talked about majestic summit park in a while, but she recently met with a neighbor who lives across the street from one of the properties up there who also works for the soil and water conservation district. She is interested in helping the district developing a conversation plan there with native plants and a little trail. Katie said that she thinks the plan is one that BPA would approve. She will keep the board in the loop. She said she is also working on a partnership with REACH to jointly run a summer camp program.

Ed Danielson also added that it would be nice on a quarterly basis to have a report from Margaret Maffai on what she is working on. Katie said she would have Margaret send one out. Katie said that Margaret has submitted three grant applications in the last month and has been instrumental in handing out kits that we hand out to community kids and she puts together every other kit and she is also planning an event at Tetherow Crossing. Katie Hammer thanked the board candidates for attending the meeting today.

8.	Adjournment:
	Matt Gilman adjourned the meeting at 8:33am

Board Chair, Hayes McCoy

Recording Secretary, Vicki Osbon

Redmond Area Park and Recreation District Financial Summary April 30, 2021

Summary

April 30, 2021 is 83% of the 2020/2021 budget year.

Financial Performance By Fund

General			
Resources (% of 20/21 Budget)	101%	Resources change from FY 19/20	6%
Expenditures (% of 20/21 Budget)	73%	Expenses change from FY 19/20	-7%

	_	YTD FY Apr 19/20		YTD FY Apr 20/21		20/2021 YE Budget		Target %
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Resources (Income)	\$	1,542,340	\$	1,634,727	\$	1,620,000	101%	100%
Personnel Services	\$	285,840	\$	286,697	\$	370,600	77%	79%
Materials & Services	\$	112,439	\$	88,092	\$	164,350	54%	56%
Debt Service	\$	95,518	\$	82,384	\$	95,000	87%	100%
Capital Outlay	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	0%	0%
Transfers & Contingency	\$	-	\$	-	\$	1,237,000	0%	0%

Aquatic							
Resources (% of 20/21 Budget)	31%	Resources change from FY 19/20	-63%				
Expenditures (% of 20/21 Budget)	48%	Expenses change from FY 19/20	-34%				

	YTD FY pr 19/20	Α	YTD FY apr 20/21	20	20/2021 YE Budget		Target %
Resources (Income)	\$ 163,182	\$	60,599	\$	198,299	31%	65%
Personnel Services	\$ 427,334	\$	295,430	\$	619,250	48%	72%
Materials & Services	\$ 137,443	\$	78,997	\$	188,100	42%	70%
Debt Service	\$ 35,797	\$	35,979	\$	36,000	100%	99%
Capital Outlay	\$ 11,488	\$	10,850	\$	30,000	36%	26%

Redmond Aquatic Club Eels (RACE)							
Resources (% of 20/21 Budget)	28%	Resources change from FY 19/20	-41%				
Expenditures (% of 20/21 Budget)	25%	Expenses change from FY 19/20	-60%				

	YTD FY or 19/20	YTD FY pr 20/21	20/2021 YE Budget		Target %
Resources (Income)	\$ 35,257	\$ 20,837	\$ 73,800	28%	53%
Personnel Services	\$ 25,023	\$ 18,035	\$ 41,100	44%	54%
Materials & Services	\$ 28,593	\$ 3,304	\$ 43,000	8%	75%

Financial Performance By Fund

Programs						
Resources (% of 20/21 Budget)	23%	Resources change from FY 19/20	-66%			
Expenditures (% of 20/21 Budget)	41%	Expenses change from FY 19/20	-45%			

		YTD FY		YTD FY		20/2021 YE		
	A	pr 19/20	Α	pr 20/21		Budget	% Current Budget	Target %
Resources (Income)	\$	141,903	\$	48,732	\$	209,700	23%	57%
Personnel Services	\$	177,061	\$	113,100	\$	233,600	48%	68%
Materials & Services	\$	95,852	\$	36,098	\$	133,950	27%	69%
Capital Outlay	\$	-	\$	-	\$		0%	0%

Activity Center						
Resources (% of 20/21 Budget)	22%	Resources change from FY 19/20	-74%			
Expenditures (% of 20/21 Budget)	42%	Expenses change from FY 19/20	-36%			

	7TD FY or 19/20	YTD FY Apr 20/21		20/2021 YE Budget	% Current Budget	Target %
Resources (Income)	\$ 43,305	\$ 11,398		52,750	22%	•
Personnel Services	\$ 83,888	\$ 49,734	\$	131,750	38%	67%
Materials & Services	\$ 26,479	\$ 20,787	\$	37,400	56%	61%
Capital Outlay	\$ -	\$ -	\$	-		0%

Parks				
Resources (% of 20/21 Budget)	52%	Resources change from FY 19/20	1%	
Expenditures (% of 20/21 Budget)	55%	Expenses change from FY 19/20	-10%	

	YTD FY or 19/20	YTD FY pr 20/21	_	20/2021 YE Budget		Target %
Resources (Income)	\$ 669	\$ 679	\$	1,300	52%	51%
Personnel Services	\$ 84,438	\$ 72,220	\$	121,300	60%	73%
Materials & Services	\$ 26,635	\$ 27,947	\$	49,200	57%	58%
Capital Outlay	\$ 563	\$ 15,194	\$	40,750	37%	3%

Year to Date Comparison by Program Category

YTD Detail

Property Tax Collections

FY 20/21 (Current)	1,566,447
FY 20/21 (Budget, current yr)	1,515,000
FY 19/20	1,455,839
FY 18/19	1,336,851
FY 17/18	1,291,620

Resources/Expense Detail

Pool Activities

Pool Activities Resources		Pool Activities Expenses	
FY 20/21 (Current)	23,464	FY 20/21 (Current)	4,573
FY 20/21 (Budget, current yr)	70,000	FY 20/21 (Budget, current yr)	14,000
FY 19/20	55,882	FY 19/20	10,702
FY 18/19	65,129	FY 18/19	13,128
FY 17/18	63,209	FY 17/18	13,865

Youth Sport Leagues

Youth Sports League Resources		Youth Sports League Expenses	
FY 20/21 (Current)	28,106	FY 20/21 (Current)	11,605
FY 20/21 (Budget, current yr)	97,500	FY 20/21 (Budget, current yr)	62,750
FY 19/20	73,662	FY 19/20	39,321
FY 18/19	90,622	FY 18/19	49,149
FY 17/18	98,404	FY 17/18	42,700

Note: Youth Sports League include: Youth Soccer, Youth Basketball and LaCrosse

Enrichment Resources

Enrichment Resources		Enrichment Expenses	
FY 20/21 (Current)	13,602	FY 20/21 (Current)	19,652
FY 20/21 (Budget, current yr)	35,600	FY 20/21 (Budget, current yr)	26,500
FY 19/20	22,113	FY 19/20	30,212
FY 18/19	34,566	FY 18/19	33,755
FY 17/18	13,397	FY 17/18	14,909

Fitness

Fitness Resources		Fitness Expenses
Y 20/21 (current)	8,395	FY 20/21 (current)
20/21 (Budget, current yr)	17,552	FY 20/21 (Budget, current yr)
19/20	39,647	FY 19/20
18/19	39,487	FY 18/19
17/18	38,049	FY 17/18

Note: Fitness includes: Movement that Matters and Fitness classes held at the Activity Center.

Adult Sport Leagues

Adult Sport League Resources		Adult Sport League Expenses	
FY 20/21 (Current)	5,275	FY 20/21 (Current)	857
FY 20/21 (Budget, current yr)	17,200	FY 20/21 (Budget, current yr)	9,000
FY 19/20	6,170	FY 19/20	4,714
FY 18/19	9,233	FY 18/19	6,404
FY 17/18	8,916	FY 17/18	4,480

Note: Adult Sport Leagues include, Adult Softball and Adult Basketball.

Updated 5/3/21

Redmond Area Park and Recreation District Board of Directors Duties and Responsibilities Policy

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Adopted: November 10, 2015

RAPRD BOARD OF DIRECTORS POLICY STATEMENT

- 1. The Redmond Area Park and Recreation District Board of Directors shall operate directly under the general provisions for park and recreation districts established by the State of Oregon, following general operating procedures.
- 2. These policies are intended to provide a general understanding and uniformity in the practices and procedures for the operation of the Redmond Area Park and Recreation District.
- 3. These policies express the judgment and will of the Redmond Area Park and Recreation District Board of Directors and are binding on all employees.
- 4. In the event that any part or parts of these policies are found to be in conflict with the law, then only such part or parts so found shall be null and void and the remainder thereof shall remain in full force and effect.

AMENDMENT OR SUSPENSION OF POLICY

- 1. These policies of the Redmond Area Park and Recreation District Board of Directors may be amended or suspended by majority of the Directors at any Board meeting, provided that each Director shall have been notified in writing of the proposed amendment or notice of the proposed suspension at least forty-eight (48) hours in advance of the meeting.
- 2. Where a new policy replaces or amends an existing policy, the Board shall repeal the older one by direct action.
- 3. The Managers may, in case of emergency, suspend any part of these rules and regulations, which may be in conflict with handling an emergency; provided, however, that the Managers shall report the fact of, and the reason for, such suspension at the next meeting of the Board; and provide further that the suspension shall expire at the time of said report unless continued in effect by the Board.

POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE REDMOND AREA PARK AND RECREATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS

It is the policy of the board of directors to exercise those powers granted to it, and to carry out those duties assigned to it by law, in such a way as to best meet the needs of the district.

Formulation and Interpretation of District Policy

Board members only have the right and responsibility to participate in board meetings and vote on district matters as part of the board. The most important activity of the board in performing this responsibility is the formulation and interpretation of district policies. To this end, the board shall establish policy, reserving to itself all authority and responsibility not directly assigned to other district officers and personnel.

Recognizing the legal definition of its duties, the Board of Directors, in providing adequate and suitable parks and recreation services for the citizens of the Redmond Area Park and Recreation District, shall consider its major responsibilities to be:

Communications

- Develop regular channels of communication with board members and staff.
- Encourage participation of staff members on appropriate committees.
- Develop procedures for bringing staff opinions and recommendations to the board, as well as board opinions and decisions to the staff.
- Invite non-board members, other local governments, and groups to board or committee meetings or other types of board sponsored assemblies to explore and develop approaches to common concerns.
- Recognize that certain information obtained at board meetings may be non-public and confidential making disclosure a breach of trust.
- Respect the opinion of other members and accept the principle of majority rule in board decisions.

Financial

- Approve the annual budget.
- Monitor district finances and the budget, setting policy or taking action to ensure the fiscal integrity of the organization.

Policies, Objectives, and Plans

- Abide by and become familiar with all laws and policies governing the operation of the district.
- Approve the strategic plan or plan of operations.

- Approve policies for the district.
- Recognize that the district manager should have full administrative authority for properly
 discharging the duties of managing the operation within the limits of the established board
 policy. The board's basic function is policy making.
- Develop and approve long-range plan of growth and development for the district.
- Approve specific important projects.
- Approve any significant departure from established plans or policy.
- Ensure that program objectives are assigned to the proper planning or implementing subgroups.
- Where applicable, bring other local governments or community groups into the planning and decision-making process.
- Approve contracts binding the district.
- Approve major changes in the district's organization or structure.
- Approve board plans of action.
- Pass district resolutions, or adopt ordinances.

Management

- Select the board chairman and other officers.
- Select and employ a professionally trained and experienced executive to administer the District.
- Define the duties and responsibilities for the, executive director, chairman, officers, and major committee chairpersons.
- Select legal counsel and consultants for the board.
- Approve contracts for professional services required by and for the board.
- Authorize officers or board agents to enter into contracts or to sign other written instruments and to take financial actions.
- Approve the form, and amount of Executive Director compensation.
- Evaluate the performance of the Executive Director annually.

 Provide advice and consultation to management on matters within the purview of the board's responsibilities.

Employee Relations

- Approve any employee benefit plans.
- Insist that personnel complaints go through a proper chain of command. If not resolved, only then should the board get involved.
- Do not allow personnel problems, other than problems with the Executive Director, to be brought into board considerations.

Control

- Identify types of information needed by the board to analyze effectively the district's directions and achievement. Create a process for collecting and analyzing information.
- Realize that the citizens within the boundaries of the district are the true "owners" of the district.
- Review and assess the organization's performance against objectives, resources, plans, policies, and services rendered.
- Analyze major "shortfalls" in achievement.
- Identify obstacles, sense changing needs, and propose new directions or goals.
- Ensure that the district is in compliance with all federal, state, and local laws.

Board of Directors

- Motivate board members to accept positions of leadership and responsibility.
- Appoint, change, or abolish committees of the board.
- Define powers and responsibilities of committees of the board.
- Do not make commitments on any matter that should come before the board as a whole.
- Recognize that an individual board member has no legal status to act for the entire board.
- Realize that if a quorum of the board meets to make a decision or to deliberate, then the meeting is considered a public meeting and must comply with all of the requirements of the Oregon Public Meetings Laws.
- Discussions on matters of overall policy outside of regular board meetings can violate the open meetings law.

Public Accountability

- Keep the public informed on all district matters.
- Make decisions based on the wishes and needs of the public.
- Spend the district's money with prudence and trust.
- Place the needs of the public above the ambitions of the board or the district.

MEMBERSHIP ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Positions and Terms

- The board of directors of the district shall consist of five members serving four year staggered terms. No person shall be eligible to be a board member who is not at the time of election or appointment a resident in the district.
- All board members shall serve at large.

Election of Board Members

The election of board members shall be conducted as provided by ORS 266 and ORS Chapter 255.

Qualifications

No person elected or appointed to the board shall be sworn in unless such person meets the qualifications for office set forth in ORS 266. If questions exist regarding the eligibility of any candidate, the board shall obtain an opinion from legal counsel prior to swearing in such person.

Oath of Office

Each newly elected or appointed board member shall take an oath of office at a board meeting prior to assuming the duties of the position.

Term of Office – Starting Date

Except where the board is filling a vacancy on the board, terms of office shall start on July 1.

Vacancies

Vacancies on the board shall be filled by appointment by a majority of the remaining members of the board. If a majority of the membership of the board is vacant, or if a majority cannot agree, the vacancies shall be filled promptly by the county commission of Deschutes County. The period of service of a person appointed to fill a vacancy shall expire on June 30 after the next regular district election at which a successor is elected. The successor shall be elected to serve the remainder, if any, of the term of the position for which the appointment was made. If the term for which the appointment was made expires June 30 after election of the successor, the successor shall be elected to a full term. In either case, the successor shall take office July 1 following his or her election.

BOARD MEMBER ORIENTATION POLICY

Cooperation with Board Candidates

The board, through its staff, shall cooperate impartially with candidates for the board and provide them with information about board policies, administrative regulations, and other aspects of the operation of the district.

Orienting New Board Members

The board and its staff shall assist each new member-elect and appointee to understand the board's functions, policies, and procedures before he/she takes office. The following methods shall be employed:

- New members shall be invited to attend and participate in public board meetings prior to being sworn in.
- The Executive Director shall provide material pertinent to district meetings and respond to questions regarding such material.
- New members shall be invited to meet with the Executive Director and other district personnel to discuss the services each performs for the district.
- The district manager shall give each new board member:
 - An updated copy of the district's policies and procedures.
 - A copy of the Attorney General's "Public Records and Meetings Manual."
 - Copies of the minutes of all board meetings, except for executive sessions, for the preceding twelve (12) months.
 - Copies of the district's last five (5) budgets.
 - Copies of the district's insurance policies.
 - Copies of all such documents as the attorney for the district may recommend with respect to any pending claims or lawsuits.
 - A list of all district personnel by position.
 - Such other materials as the board may direct or the district manager deems appropriate.

PUBLIC MEETING POLICY

Preparation for Board Meetings

- Distribution of materials to board members
 - The agenda and financial summary shall be given to each member of the board of directors at least four (4) days prior to any regularly scheduled board meeting.
 - At the same time, the Executive Director shall provide members detailed information relative to the agenda, including existing board policy pertinent to agenda items.
- Distribution of agenda to the public

The proposed agenda will simultaneously be distributed to all district officers and other facilities, local and other news media, and posted at one or more convenient locations for review by district personnel and the public.

BOARD MEETING AGENDA

- 1.0 Call to Order
 - 1.1 Adjustments to the Agenda
- 2.0 Communications (comments from citizens)
- 3.0 Consent Agenda
 - 3.1 Approval/Correction of Minutes
 - 3.2 Acknowledge Receipt of Financial Summary
- 4.0 Action Agenda Items
- 5.0. Standing and Special Committee Reports
- 6.0 Other Business (Discussion Items)
- 7.0 Public Comments
- 8.0 Staff Comments
- 9.0 Remarks from the Directors
- 10.0 Adjournment

Notice and Location of Meetings

Application

This policy applies to all meetings of the board of directors of the district and to any meetings of subcommittees or advisory groups appointed by the board, if such subcommittees or advisory groups normally have a quorum requirement, takes votes, and form recommendations as a body for presentation to the board of directors.

Compliance with Law

All meetings shall be conducted in accordance with the Oregon Public Meetings Law, ORS 192.610-192.710 and 192.990.

Locations of Meetings

All meetings shall be held within the geographic boundaries of the district, except for training sessions held without any deliberative action. No meeting shall be held in any place where discrimination on the basis of race, creed, color, sex, age, national origin, sexual preference, or disability is practiced. All meetings shall be held in places accessible to the handicapped.

Meetings Held by Telephone

Meetings held by telephone or other electronic communication is subject to the Public Meetings Law if they otherwise qualify by virtue of their deliberative purpose and the presence of a quorum. ORS 192.670(1). Notice and opportunity for public access shall be provided when meetings are conducted by electronic means. At least one location shall be provided where meetings held by

telephone or other electronic means may be listened to by members of the public. ORS 192.670(2).

Regular Meetings

The board shall hold regular monthly meetings on the **second Tuesday** of each month. Such meetings shall be held at **Cascade Swim Center**, **465 SW Rimrock Dr**, **Redmond Oregon**, at **7:30am** or at such other places and times as the board may designate from time to time.

Special Meetings

The board shall hold special meetings at the request of the president or any three members of the board. If the president is absent from the district, special board meetings may be held at the request of the vice-president. No special meeting shall be held upon less than 24 hours public notice.

Emergency Meetings

Emergency meetings may be held at the request of persons entitled to call special meetings, upon less than 24 hours notice in situations where a true emergency exists. An emergency exists where there are objective circumstances which, in the judgment of the person or persons calling the meeting, create a real and substantial risk of harm to the district which would be substantially increased if the board were to delay in order to give 24 hours notice before conducting the meeting. The convenience of the board members is not grounds for calling an emergency meeting.

At the beginning of any emergency meeting, the director or directors calling such meeting shall recite the reasons for calling such meeting and the reasons the meeting could not have been delayed in order to give at least 24 hours notice, which reasons shall be noted in the minutes. The board shall then determine if the reasons are sufficient to hold an emergency meeting and, if not, shall immediately adjourn such meeting. Only business related directly to the emergency shall be conducted at an emergency meeting.

Notice of Meetings

Notice of the time, place, and principal subjects to be considered shall be given for all meetings. For regular meetings, the notice shall be in the form of an agenda, which shall be sent to all board members, local media, and to all persons or other media representatives having requested notice in writing of every meeting. The agenda shall also be posted on the district's website at the following locations with the district: Cascade Swim Center, 465 SW Rimrock and RAPRD Activity Center, 2441 SW Canal, Redmond, OR.

Written notice shall also be sent to any persons who the district knows may have a special interest in a particular action, unless such notification would be unduly burdensome or expensive. For special meetings, press releases shall be issued or phone calls made to wire services and other media and interested persons shall be notified by mail or telephone. For emergency meetings, the

district shall attempt to contact local media and other interested persons by telephone to inform them of the meeting.

Executive Sessions

Notice for meetings called only to hold executive sessions shall be given in the same manner as notice for regular, special and emergency meetings as set forth above, except that the notice need only indicate the general subject matter to be considered at the executive session, but it shall also set forth the statutory basis for calling the executive session.

The chairman or other presiding officer shall announce the statutory authority for the executive session before going into closed session. Once the executive session has been convened, the president shall direct any representative of the news media who are present not to report certain specified information from the executive session. In general, the extent of the non-disclosure requirement should be no broader than the public interest requires, and the news media will ordinarily be allowed to report the general topic of discussion in the executive session. Board members, staff and other persons present shall not discuss or disclose executive session proceedings outside of the executive session without prior authorization of the board as a whole.

- Interpreters for the Hearing Impaired
 The district shall comply with ORS 192.630(5) regarding the provision of interpreters for the hearing impaired at board meetings, in accordance with the following rules:
 - The district shall make a good faith effort to have an interpreter for hearing impaired persons provided at any regularly scheduled meeting if the person requesting the interpreter has given the district at least 48 hours notice of the request, provided the name of the requester, the requester's sign language preference, and any other relevant information which the district may require. "Good faith efforts" shall include contacting the Oregon Disabilities Commission or other state or local agencies that maintain a list of qualified interpreters.
 - If a meeting is held upon less than 48 hours notice, the District shall make reasonable efforts to have an interpreter present.
 - The requirement for an interpreter does not apply to emergency meetings.

Board Meeting Conduct

- Presiding officer
 - The president shall preside at board meetings. In the president's absence, the vice-president shall preside. If both the president and vice-president are absent, any other member of the board may preside.
- Authority to Conduct Meetings
 The president or other presiding officer at any board meeting shall have full authority to conduct the meeting. Meetings shall be conducted in such a manner as to provide a full and fair opportunity for discussion of the issues in an efficient and timely manner. Any decision of the

president or other presiding officer at the meeting may be overridden by a majority vote of the board.

• Public Participation

If public participation is to be a part of the meeting, the presiding officer may regulate the order and length of appearances and limit appearances to presentations of relevant points. Persons failing to comply with the reasonable rules of conduct outlined by the presiding officer, or causing any disturbance, may be asked or required to leave. Such persons become trespassers upon failure to do so.

• Electronic Equipment

The authority to control the meetings of the district board extends to control over equipment such as cameras, tape recorders and microphones. The presiding officer shall inform persons attending any meeting of the district board of reasonable rules necessary to assure an orderly and safe meeting. The physical comfort and safety of members of the board and the public attending the meeting shall be of primary concern in formulating such rules.

• Recording of Votes

Votes shall be recorded. Any member may request that his or her vote be changed if such request is made prior to consideration of the next order of business.

ORGANIZATION

- 1. At the first Board meeting in July of every year, there shall be elected a Chairman, Vice Chairman and Secretary of the Board. Each officer so elected shall take office immediately and shall serve until the first Board meeting of the following July, or until his/her successor is elected and qualified to serve. In order for a member of the Board to be eligible for nomination for the office of Chairman, he/she shall have served one previous year.
- 2. If the Chairman should resign or for any reason be unable to fulfill his/her obligation during his/her term of office, the Vice Chairman shall automatically fill the position of Chairman. In the event any other office becomes vacant, the position found vacant shall be filled at the next regular meeting of the Board of Directors by nomination and vote of the remaining Board members.
- 3. The duties of the Chairman shall to be to preside at all meetings/work sessions of the Board, to sign all documents which require a formal signature of the Board, to create standing and special committees, and to appoint Board Members to those standing and special committees. Board concurrence will be requested on the creation of committees and the appointments to those committees.
- 4. The Vice Chairman shall preside in the absence of the Chairman and shall perform such other duties as may be assigned by the Chairman.
- 5. The Secretary of the Board need not be a member of the Board of Directors. He/she may be a manager or some other person designated by the Board to act in this capacity. He/she shall sign all documents formally requiring the signature of the District.

- 6. With the exception of the Secretary of the Board, no person shall fill the same office for more than two (2) consecutive years. An exception to this rule may be made with approval of the majority of the Board of Directors.
- 7. A Recording Secretary who shall not be a member of the Board of Directors shall be appointed by resolution at the first board meeting in July annually to take the minutes of all Board meetings and all informal minutes when requested by the Chairman to do so.

COMMITTEES

- 1. Special and standing committees may be created by the Chairman, with concurrence by the Board. Committee members will be appointed by the Chairman, with concurrence by the Board. Whenever desirable, the Board will function as a committee of the whole. Other committee members may be selected from the public when deemed desirable. The Chairman will set guidelines for each committee.
- 2. The functions of a committee shall be those designated by title. It shall be the responsibility of a committee to study topics referred to it and to make recommendations to the Board for final action.
- 3. The managers shall be eligible to attend any meetings of any standing or special committees except when his/her employment is under consideration.
- 4. All Special and Standing Committee meetings will be subject to the State of Oregon Public Meetings and Public Records statutes.

AUTHORITY OF MEMBERS

Board Members Authorized By Official Board Action Only

Board members have no individual powers separate from the powers of the board and have no authority to act individually without delegation of authority from a quorum of the board. Likewise, no individual board member may speak for or on behalf of the board or district, except as authorized to do so by official board action as recorded in the official minutes, guidelines, or policies of the district.

Management and Communication between Board and Staff

The primary responsibility of the Board is to make policy level decisions for the district. Management of the daily operations and staff is the responsibility of the district manager. Unless otherwise authorized by a quorum of the board, no individual board member may direct or order a staff member on any matter that relates to the daily operations or administrative activities of the district. Moreover, unless otherwise authorized by the board, no individual board member may order, direct, or conduct any review of personnel records of any staff member or any other record that is exempt under Public Records Law. Any communications relative to district business must be directed to the board chair, who will then communicate the question, request or concern to the district manager.

All business must be conducted at valid meetings as defined by the Public Meeting Law and ORS 192.620. If a proposition or concern comes to a Director, he/she should not commit the Board. Routine matters should be referred to the managers. Matters of policy should come before the Board.

All District business brought to the attention of an individual Board member shall be handled in the following manner: Be courteous to the taxpayer and determine whether the stated business shall be referred to the managers or to the Board. Then direct the taxpayer to either call the manager or to appear at the next Board meeting and discuss the matter with the entire Board. (Be sure to notify the Executive Director so he/she can include this business item on the agenda.) No District business decision is ever to be made by an individual Board member and or individual Board members outside an official Board meeting.

Ethical Standards

Board members act as representatives of the citizens of the district. Therefore, board members shall adhere to the highest ethical standards in the conduct of district business

EDUCATION, TRAINING, AND CONFERENCES FOR BOARD MEMBERS POLICY

Redmond Area Park and Recreation District recognizes that participation in professional organizations, and participation in such organizations' annual conferences, is extremely vital to the continued growth of each Board Member. Further, it is the intention of the District to encourage participation by all Board Members whenever possible, and to see to it that Redmond Area Park and Recreation District is represented at all such conferences by a minimum of the Board Chairman or his/her designated appointee. In all such instances of conference travel, expenses will be incurred by the most cost-effective, efficient, means possible. Individual Board Members wishing to accept a position or committee appointment at a regional or national level must receive prior authorization from the Board of Directors.

State Conferences: All Board Members will be encouraged to attend professional society state conferences, particularly those sponsored by the Special District's Association of Oregon and Oregon Park and Recreation Association. Conference expenses for Board Members will be reimbursed in full for travel, lodging, meals, and conference registration. The Chairman of the Board of Directors shall make every attempt to represent the District annually at the Special District's Association of Oregon conference.

regional/ National Conferences: All Board Members will be encouraged to attend regional / national, professional conferences. At least one of the representative members should be the Chairman. Conference expenses for Board Members will be reimbursed in full for travel, lodging, meals, and conference registration.

Workshops, Seminars, Institutes, Education or Training Courses

General: It is the policy of the Redmond Area Park and Recreation District to encourage Board development and excellence of performance by reimbursing tuition for training or educational

courses. The District will pay the full cost of any workshop, seminar, institute, educational or training course that is directly related to the duties of the position of the Board Member in accordance with the budget considerations after obtaining Board approval.

Education, Training, and Conferences for Board Members Procedure

The Recording Secretary is responsible for per diem, registration, and lodging arrangements for Board Members attending state, regional, and national conferences. Board Members will make their own travel arrangements. Expense reporting forms will be forwarded to each Board Member attending a conference.

When a Board Member requests to attend a training or educational course and that request is approved by the Board of Directors, the Recording Secretary is responsible for the registration of the Board Member (example: workshops, seminars, etc.)

Upon returning from conferences, seminars, workshops, etc., each Board Member will either prepare a one (1) or two (2) page report or make a verbal report during the next Board Meeting detailing what was learned at the session(s) that will be of benefit to the District. Materials may be turned in to the Recording Secretary to be included in the library or the Administrative Building so that other Board Members and staff may have access to them.

Board Members are responsible for paying their own tuition for an educational course when requests are approved by the Board of Directors. Upon completion of that course, the Board Member will submit a request for reimbursement to the Recording Secretary. Copies of the authorization for payment will be forwarded to the Board of Directors.

LEGAL COUNSEL POLICY

RAPRD will use Special District's Association of Oregon's legal counsel as necessary. The managers and the Chairman of the Board may request any legal advice that may be needed in handling or in dealing with matters pertaining to the welfare of the Redmond Area Park and Recreation District, with a majority vote of the Board if possible. Individual Board Members should direct requests through the managers and/ or the Chairman.

AUDITOR POLICY

An auditor shall be selected and appointed by the Board and retained on a yearly retainer fee. The auditor must be a Certified Public Accountant and a member of the State Board of Accountancy roster authorized to conduct municipal audits.

The Executive Director and the Chairman of the Board may request advice on any financial matters pertaining to the financial welfare of the Redmond Area Park and Recreation District. Individual Board Members should direct requests through the Executive Director and/ or the Chairman. INSURANCE AGENT(S) OF RECORD POLICY

An Insurance Agent(s) of Record shall be selected and appointed by the Board. The Agent(s) must be certified by the State. The Executive Director and the Chairman of the Board may request any advice that may be needed in handling or in dealing with insurance matters pertaining to the welfare of the Redmond Area Park and Recreation District. Individual Board Members should direct requests through the Executive Director and/ or the Chairman.

GROUND RULES

The Board of Directors of the Redmond Area Park and Recreation District is committed to providing excellence in legislative leadership that result in the provision of the highest quality of services to its residents. In order to assist in the governance of the behavior between and among members of the Board of Directors, the following ground rules shall be observed.

- 1. We, as a Board of Directors, value confirming the dignity of each individual Board member. We also recognize the importance of respecting the style, values, and opinions of one another. We encourage responsiveness and attentive listening in our communication.
- 2. We, as a Board of Directors, shall place the needs of the residents first.
- 3. We, as a Board of Directors, recognize that our primary responsibility is the formulation and evaluation of policy. Routine matters concerning the operational aspects of the District ought to be delegated to professional staff members of the agency.
- 4. We, as a Board of Directors, shall commit ourselves to emphasizing the positive, avoiding double talk, hidden agendas, gossip, talking behind people's backs, and other negative forms of interaction.
- 5. We, as a Board of Directors, shall commit ourselves to focusing on issues and not personalities. We will encourage the presentation of others' opinions. We will avoid cliques and voting blocks based on personalities rather than issues.
- 6. We, as a Board of Directors, commit to supporting Board action. The role of the Board member is not to place barriers once a decision has been made by the Board and is ready to be implemented. We acknowledge the right of individuals to disagree with ideas, without being disagreeable. Different points of view are healthy in contributing to the decision-making process.
- 7. We, as a Board of Directors, shall practice the following procedures in: 1) seeking clarification on informational items; 2) handling concerns; 3) handling items related to participant safety; 4) presenting items for discussion at Board meetings and in other forums; and 5) seeking clarification for policy-related concerns.
 - Informational Items. Board members may directly approach professional staff members to obtain information needed to supplement, upgrade, or enhance their knowledge to improve legislative decision-making.
 - Handling Concerns from residents of the District. Concerns made to members of the Board of Directors should be referred to the Executive Director of the District. The Board of Directors should encourage members of the community to attend a board meeting.
 - Participant Safety. Concerns for participant safety or hazards should be reported to the Executive Director or to the front desk at the administrative office. Emergency situations should be dealt with immediately by seeking appropriate assistance.

- Agenda Items. Board members wishing to have items placed on the Board meeting agenda
 or at other Board functions should present these to the Executive Manager and/ or to a
 Board member when advisable.
- Policy-related Concerns. Policy related questions, especially related to personnel, legal action, land acquisition and development, finances, and programming should be directed to the Executive Director and/ or to a Board member when advisable.
- Members of the Board of Directors, when approached by professional staff members
 concerning policy within the District, shall direct inquiries to their supervisor. The chain of
 command should be followed.
- 8. We, as a Board of Directors, shall observe State of Oregon Public Meeting Laws in conducting business meetings of the District.
- 9. We, as a Board of Directors, recognize the work of the District as a team effort. All individuals shall work together in collaborative process, assisting each other and the Chair, in conducting the affairs of the District.
- 10. We, as a Board of Directors, when responding to citizen requests and concerns, shall be courteous, responding to individuals in a positive manner and routing their concerns and interests through appropriate channels.
- 11. We, as a Board of Directors, are encouraged to work with the managers at our convenience, to discuss current issues, concerns and District projects.
- 12. We, as a Board of Directors, shall each operate as part of the whole. Issues will be brought to the attention of the Board as a whole, rather than to individual members selectively.
- 13. We, as a Board of Directors, are responsible for monitoring the District's progress in attaining its goals and objectives, while pursuing its vision.
- 14. We, as a Board of Directors, shall be prepared by reviewing District materials and will engage in a program of development directed toward improving our legislative decision making capabilities.
- 15. We, as a Board of Directors, are committed to the pursuit of the vision of the Redmond Area Park and Recreation District. We are a part of a partnership between the District and the residents of the Redmond Area Park and Recreation District.

REDMOND AREA PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT

DIRECTOR

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

As an elected representative of the residents of the Redmond Area Park and Recreation District, a Director serves a four (4) year term. The five- member Board of Directors is responsible for establishing a program and conducting the affairs of the District in compliance with Oregon Revised State Statutes. The Board of Directors has the legislative authority and power to establish policies and procedures that are in the best interest of the residents it serves.

SUPERVISION RECEIVED

The Board of Directors is responsible to the voting constituency that has elected that individual. As such, it is the responsibility of the Director to seek out information concerning the leisure needs and interests of the residents of the District. A Director may be assigned committee work by the Chair of the Board with concurrence and may be counseled by the Chair to ensure that he/ she is in compliance with Board policies.

SUPERVISION EXERCISED

The Board of Directors, as a unit, directs the affairs of the District. In general, the Board of Directors is responsible for formulating and evaluating policy. In addition, the Board supervises the work of the managers, ensuring that they carry out directives in an efficient and effective manner.

DUTIES

- 1. To conduct the affairs of the District in such a manner that its integrity is maintained and it is perceived positively by its residents.
- 2. To engage in the process of legislative policy formulation and evaluation.
- 3. To promote the affairs of the District by engaging in public relations activities that in turn, assist in the cultivation of a positive public image.
- 4. To participate fully in short-term and long-term planning processes, ensuring that the resources of the District are utilized in an efficient manner.
- 5. To identify the needs of the residents of the community by encouraging the formulation and implementation of market studies and other forms of needs assessment.
- 6. To actively promote the vision, mission, philosophy, and programs of the District by engaging in promotional activities and events.

- 7. To instill pride in the residents of the District and the professional staff by encouraging the creation of the dynamic and responsive organization, dedicated to meeting the needs of its residents with excellence.
- 8. To contribute to the enhancement of the Board of Directors' legislative decision-making capabilities by engaging in developmental activities directed toward the acquisition of new skills, knowledge, and competencies.
- 9. To ensure the long-term survivability of the District by maintaining a stable fiscal base.
- 10. To develop, adopt, and monitor the District's compliance with the Oregon Revised Statutes.
- 11. To serve as a liaison with other related organizations, institutions, and agencies, nurturing a positive and mutually beneficial relationship.
- 12. To contribute to and participate in the legislative decision-making process of the Board of Directors by offering ideas, suggestions, and opinions concerning policy information.
- 13. To provide community leadership directed toward improving and enhancing the quality of life for the residents of the District.
- 14. To ensure that District residents are informed about the affairs, programs and other services of the District.
- 15. To participate, as practical, in professional associations on the state, regional, and national levels.
- 16. To participate in the goal-setting process by offering input in the form of ideas, opinions, and suggestions, thereby assisting in the active attainment of the vision of the District.
- 17. To encourage the use of forms of positive reinforcement to reward productive behavior among the professional staff and volunteers assisting the District.
- 18. To encourage and monitor a system of accountability, ensuring that the financial affairs, official minutes, and other documents of the District are maintained in a way that is consistent with Oregon Revised Statutes.
- 19. To hire and evaluate the Executive Director of the District to ensure continuity in operations.
- 20. To participate in programs of the District, as well as observe services, areas and facilities, assessing their effectiveness in meeting the needs of the residents of the District.

QUALIFICATIONS

There are two basic qualifications necessary in order to serve as a member of Board of Directors of the Redmond Area Park and Recreation District. An individual must be a resident of the district and, in addition, must be a registered voter (Oregon Revised Statute 266.310(2)).

SKILLS

The skills required of a member of the Board of Directors are varied and numerous. Some of the desirable skills include: knowledge of park and recreation theory, public policy, public administration, financial administration and budgeting, Oregon Revised Statutes, District policies and procedures, and knowledge of planning and goal setting. In addition, it is desirable that a Director be skilled in communications, building trust, delegation, and facilitating group behavior. Imagination and vision are also important competencies to possess.

REDMOND AREA PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT

POSITION DESCRIPTION

CHAIR

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The Chair of the Board of Directors of the Redmond Area Park and Recreation District serves as an official head and presiding officer of the Board. The Chair is responsible for conducting the official meetings of the Board of Directors and for supervising their activities to ensure compliance with District policies and procedures. The Chair serves as the official spokesperson of the Board of Directors.

SUPERVISION RECEIVED

The Chair of the Board of Directors is elected by the Board as a whole. This individual is not only accountable to the Board of Directors, but also to the citizens of the District. The term of this position in one year.

SUPERVISION EXERCISED

The Chair of the Board of Directors works in concert with other Board members and managers to establish an agenda for the District. This involves establishing meeting dates and times and calling special sessions of the Board of Directors. In addition, the Chair of the Board of Directors is responsible for creating and supervising standing and special committees, with Board concurrence, and for appointing members to those committees, with Board concurrence.

DUTIES

- 1. To preside over official meetings of the Board of Directors.
- 2. To establish the agenda necessary to conduct the official meetings of the Board of Directors, seeking input for agenda items by contacting members of the Board of Directors and the managers.
- 3. To provide continuity in conducting the affairs of the District by ensuring that the District is operated in a manner consistent with The Oregon Revised Statutes.
- 4. To provide leadership to the Board of Directors, guiding their work to ensure that the annual goals are pursued and completed.
- 5. To facilitate positive interaction between Board members, encouraging and soliciting an open exchange of ideas, suggestions, and opinions.

- 6. To motivate the work of the Board of Directors and the managers by providing positive reinforcement and encouragement.
- 7. To create standing and special committees, with Board concurrence; to appoint chairpersons and members of those committees, with Board concurrence; and to supervise those committees so that they are consistent with Oregon Revised Statutes and the operating bylaws of the District.
- 8. To endorse drafts of the District, ensuring a high degree of fiscal responsibility and accountability.
- 9. To call special meetings and/ or work sessions for the Board of Directors as required.
- 10. To work to build consensus, commitment, and synthesis among board members when pursuing the goals of the District.
- 11. To encourage citizen participation at Board meetings by creating a cordial, friendly, open, and responsive atmosphere.
- 12. To ensure that other members of the Board of Directors are in compliance and adhere to the policies of the District and are made aware of any deviation from same.
- 13. To serve as spokesman for the District, representing the actions of The Board as a whole in a manner that reflects positively on the District.
- 14. Has the authority to conduct investigations about complaints from the public and staff.
- 15. To organize and conduct the annual evaluation of the Executive Director of the District in the absence of the chair.
- 16. To perform other duties as may be assigned by the Board of Directors of the Redmond Area Park and Recreation District.

QUALIFICATIONS

There are two basic qualifications necessary in order to serve as a Chair of the Board of Directors of the Redmond Area Park and Recreation District. An individual must be a resident of the District and, in addition, must be a registered voter (Oregon Revised Statute 266.310.(2)). In addition, the individual shall have served as a member of the Board of Directors for a minimum of one year.

SKILLS

In addition to the general skills required of a Board member, there are a number of specific skills desired to serve effectively as the Chair. Knowledge of group dynamics, communication, parliamentary procedures, leadership, problem solving, and conflict resolution are all desirable skills or competencies. Further, it is essential that the Chair have good speaking skills and abilities.

REDMOND AREA PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT

POSITION DESCRIPTION VICE CHAIR

General Description

The Vice Chair of the Board of Directors of the Redmond Area Park and Recreation District serves as an official head and presiding officer of the Board in the absence of the Chair. The Vice Chair is responsible for conducting the official meetings of the Board of Directors and for supervising their activities to ensure compliance with District policies and procedures in the absence of the Chair. The Vice Chair serves as the official spokesperson for the Board of Directors in the absence of the Chair.

SUPERVISION RECEIVED

The Vice Chair of the Board of Directors is elected by the Board as a whole. This individual is not only accountable to the Board of Directors, but also to the citizens of the District. The term of this position is one year.

SUPERVISION EXERCISED

The Vice Chair of the Board of Directors works in concert with other Board members and managers to establish an agenda to the District in the absence of the Chair. This involves establishing meeting dates and times and calling special sessions of the board of Directors. In addition, the Vice Chair of the Board of Directors is responsible for creating and supervising standing and special committees, with Board concurrence in the absence of the Chair.

DUTIES

- 1. To preside over official meetings of the Board of Directors in the absence of the Chair.
- 2. To establish the agenda necessary to conduct the official meetings of the Board of Directors, seeking input for agenda items by contacting members of the Board of Directors and the managers in the absence of the Chair.
- 3. To provide continuity in conducting the affairs of the District by ensuring that the District is operated in a manner consistent with the Oregon Revised Statutes in the absence of the Chair.
- 4. To provide leadership to the Board of Directors, guiding their work to ensure that the annual goals are pursued and completed in the absence of the Chair.
- 5. To facilitate positive interaction between Board members, encouraging and soliciting an open exchange of ideas, suggestions, and opinions in the absence of the Chair.

- 6. To motivate the work of the Board of Directors and the managers by providing positive reinforcement and encouragement.
- 7. To create standing and special committees, with Board concurrence; to appoint chairpersons and members of those committees, with Board concurrence; and to supervise those committees so that they are consistent with Oregon Revised Statutes and the operating bylaws of the District in the absence of the Chair.
- 8. To endorse drafts of the District, ensuring a high degree of fiscal responsibility and accountability in the absence of the chair.
- 9. To call special meetings and/ or work sessions for the Board of Directors as required in the absence of the Chair.
- 10. To work to build consensus, commitment, and synthesis among board members when pursuing the goals of the District.
- 11. To encourage citizen participation at Board meetings by creating a cordial, friendly, open, and responsive atmosphere.
- 12. To ensure that other members of the Board of Directors are in compliance and adhere to the policies of the District and are made aware of any deviation from same in the absence of the Chair.
- 13. To serve as spokesman for the District, representing the actions of the Board as a whole in a manner that reflects positively on the District in the absence of the Chair.
- 14. To organize and conduct the annual evaluation of the Executive Director of the District in the absence of the chair.
- 15. To perform other duties as may be assigned by the Board of Directors of the Redmond Area Park and Recreation District.

QUALIFICATIONS

There are two basic qualifications necessary in order to serve as a Vice Chair of the Board of Directors of the Redmond Area Park and Recreation District. An individual must be a registered voter (Oregon Revised Statute 266.310.(2)). In addition, the individual shall have served as a member of the Board of Directors for a minimum of one year.

SKILLS

In addition to the general skills required of a Board member, there are a number of specific skills desired to serve effectively as the Vice Chair. Knowledge of group dynamics, communication, problem-solving, and conflict resolution are all desirable skills or competencies. Further, it is essential that the Vice Chair have good speaking skills and abilities.



Board of Directors Procedures and Orientation Manual

Approved: October 21, 2014

Mission Statement:

RAPRD leads our community to health and well-being by providing fun, high-quality recreational experiences and activities for all.

Vision Statement:

RAPRD is valued as a partner and recognized as key asset in our community, enhancing the quality of life with innovative and inclusive programs, facilities, parks and open spaces.

Core Values:

- Customer Service
- Quality programs and facilities
- Safety
- Inclusive
- Diverse

Core Services Statements (Guiding Principles):

- 1. RAPRD is committed to providing the best customer service at all levels of the organization.
- 2. RAPRD offers the highest quality recreation programs.
- 3. RAPRD operates clean, safe facilities and programs.
- 4. RAPRD is committed to the concept of inclusion both for people with disabilities and people who may struggle to afford access to recreation opportunities.
- 5. RAPRD offers diverse recreation opportunities to meet the needs of the greater Redmond Community.
- 6. RAPRD is committed to recognizing and rewarding excellence.
- 7. RAPRD is committed to developing lifelong relationships with recreation among our community.

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I. PURPOSE

This manual has four purposes:

- to inform the current Board of Directors about state laws governing elected officials;
- to establish the framework within which board members work;
- to orient new board members about state laws and operating procedures governing board members' duties and responsibilities; and,
- to inform prospective board members, stakeholders, and other interested parties about the roles and responsibilities of the board.

This manual should be reviewed annually, at which time the board may choose to alter these operating procedures to best fit the board's scope and role in governing the Redmond Area Park and Recreation District (RAPRD).

II. AUTHORIZATION (ORS Chapter 198)

The Redmond Area Park and Recreation District is an Oregon special district as defined by Oregon Revised Statues (ORS) Chapter 198, authorized to levy taxes and legally hold property for the purpose of providing park and recreation services to residents living within the district's taxing boundary. To provide these services, the district may purchase supplies, employ staff, enter into contracts, and perform other incidental tasks necessary to exercise the authority. The district is not authorized to provide other services typically provided by municipal governments.

The approximate 183 square mile Redmond Area Park and Recreation District was established by a vote of the citizens on July 8, 1975, in accordance with ORS 255, Special District Elections. The district is operated in accordance with ORS 198, Special Districts Generally and ORS 266, Park and Recreation Districts.

At this time, the district's facilities include the Cascade Swim Center and Activity Center within the Redmond City limits, and High Desert Sports Complex, Borden Beck Wildlife Preserve, Pleasant Ridge Community Hall, and undeveloped parks at Majestic Ridge in Redmond and outside the city limits at Tetherow Crossing and Lake Park Estates.

The Cascade Swim Center was built in 1979 and has an indoor 25-meter swimming pool which is utilized for public swimming, exercise classes, diving instruction, Redmond High School PE classes, Head Start programs, third grade swim lessons, senior and adult lap swims, general swimming instruction and a variety of other activities. A 1'-2' outdoor wading pool and a spray pad is utilized in the summer months for young children and their parents and is also a site for additional swimming lessons. Outside the facility, in Cascade Swim Center Park, we also have over one acre of park and picnic grounds, a beach sand volleyball court and a full-sized basketball court.

The RAPRD Activity Center has fitness equipment, racquetball court, fitness classes and space for youth and adult enrichment programs. This facility is owned by the city of Redmond. RAPRD entered into a 10-year lease to use the facility in 2011.

High Desert Sports Complex is a 40-acre site, just outside the Redmond urban growth boundary. This property was donated to the district for preservation and public use. The site was completely renovated by dedicated staff and volunteers and now contains four softball fields, a radio-controlled model plane airstrip and a BMX track.

Borden Beck Park is a 26-acre natural park on the Deschutes River. This was another parcel of land donated to the district for preservation and public use. The park was constructed and developed entirely with private donations and gifts. It is primarily utilized for fishing on the Deschutes, hiking, and nature viewing.

Pleasant Ridge Community Hall is a 2,800 sq foot rental facility that can also be used for programs and special events.

Plans for the property at Majestic Ridge and Tetherow Crossing are currently in progress.

Various youth and recreation activities, sports camps and sports programs are held in each of the district's facilities, with Cascade Swim Center housing our administrative offices. Additional classes are held in Redmond School District facilities, in classrooms and gymnasiums.

Redmond Area Park and Recreation District is funded by a local property tax rate of \$.37/\$1,000. Proceeds from our swimming pool programs are used along with tax dollars to operate and maintain the parks and pool facility. Additional revenues from recreation programs and user fees are used to support the sports and recreation programs themselves.

The RAPRD Board of Directors is responsible for the district's fiscal integrity and serves an important role in setting policy that directs the provision of programs and the development and maintenance of park and recreation facilities. ORS 266 governs the board's duties, but the board determines its own general operating procedures. This manual provides the framework within which board members may lawfully execute their duties.

III. INDEMNITY (ORS 30.260-30.300)

The Board of Directors is entitled to indemnity under the Oregon Tort Claims Act (OTCA) when the board is acting within the course and scope of their elected position. OTCA states that, "The sole cause of action for any tort of officers, employees or agents of public body acting within the scope of their employment or duties... shall be an action against the public body only". When a board member acts outside the course and scope of their elected position, they have no protection under OTCA.

IV. THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AS A TEAM

The RAPRD Board of Directors works together as a team of volunteers elected to represent district residents. The board is charged with developing policies, providing vision, and evaluating district functions and operations. The board conducts its business through the deliberation of agenda topics to reach sound decisions and provide clear direction to RAPRD managers and administrators. At the conclusion of these deliberations, each board member agrees to support final decisions formalized by a vote of the board, and to provide the executive director with a unified direction.

The following tenets support the board's team dynamics:

- A. The Board of Directors is a team of five district residents elected to act on behalf of and for the benefit of all district residents. Each board member is equally responsible for ensuring that park and recreation services are properly managed in accordance with decisions reached by the board in regular, special, or executive-session meetings.
- B. Board members should be free from commitment or obligation to any special group or interest. Board members must avoid any actual or perceived conflict of interest with respect to their fiduciary duties, or actions that personally benefit board member(s).
- C. The board can transact business that is legally binding on the district only during a regular or special meeting with a quorum of the board present. No formal decision may be made in executive session. Minutes must be recorded for every board meeting, including executive sessions.
- D. The board retains full legislative and judicial authority over the district in accordance with state laws and the expressed will of the citizens, but delegates all executive and operational decisions and supervisory authority to its executive director, hired by the board as its chief executive officer.
- E. The board should avoid taking a direct hand in the administration of the district, thereby keeping the role and function of its executive officer clear to the public, RAPRD professional staff and other stakeholders.
- F. The executive director serves the board as technical adviser in planning and policymaking, as an executive by ensuring that board actions are implemented, and as a consultant to evaluate the results of board actions. The board shall evaluate the executive director. Board members should not publicly express individual judgments of staff performance, but may express their concern to the executive director. Other duties of the executive director are defined in section VI, part E, below.

- G. Board members exercise their duties only when the board is in session. However, many members of the community assume that board members are on duty 24 hours a day and expect them to answer questions and hear concerns at any time. An individual board member has no authority to speak on the board's behalf; however, individual board members have both the right and the duty to discuss park and recreation matters with the public. Board members may choose to publicly express dissenting opinions after a vote but should respect the majority decision and the board's desire to move on to other business.
- H. A citizen may confront an individual board member with concerns or complaints that should properly be addressed by the executive director or referred to the entire board. In this case, board members should relay the concern to the executive director to address or to produce a report for the full board's consideration. If satisfactory resolution cannot be accomplished through this procedure, the board may, if it deems it advisable, grant a hearing to the citizen. Such a hearing will be held during a regular or special session of the board. When a board member is confronted with a situation that justifies a departure from this procedure, the board member should withhold commitment or opinion until the matter has been presented to the board during a regular or special session where all aspects of the issue can be aired.
- I. The board chair is the official spokesperson for the Board of Directors. On occasion the news media or special interest group will ask an individual board member to speak on a particular topic, in which case the board member should refer the person to the chair, who can either speak on behalf of the board or appoint a board member to do so. Interactions with the public, press, and other entities by individual board members should accurately represent and respect the board's final decision. Depending on the topic, the chair may also defer to the executive director as the official spokesperson of the district.
- J. Board meetings are critically important to the district. They are the forum where park and recreation-oriented laypeople proficient in thinking and judging consider the executive director's recommendations and reports. An effective board meeting should have a well-planned agenda prepared by the executive director and the board chair.

V. THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AS VISIONARIES

Visioning and long-range planning are among the board's most important tasks. Board members need to foresee and plan for future needs for parks, trails, natural areas, recreation facilities, and programs, and build community support to fund and develop them. Careful planning also coordinates diverse constituent interests, including the City of Redmond, Deschutes County, user groups, business owners, environmental groups, other recreation providers, and stakeholders. To balance the varying needs of these groups each board member needs to understand and carefully weigh varying interests, prior to making decisions.

VI. BOARD FUNCTIONS

The board recognizes and maintains the distinction between activities appropriate to the Board of Directors (as the district's legislative, governing body) and administrative duties performed by the executive director (as the delegated administrator). The board's three primary functions are policymaking, planning, and evaluation. The board conducts its business in formal meetings with the support of the executive director and district staff. The board elects a chair and vice chair annually and appoints a secretary and recording secretary at the first meeting of each fiscal year. Complete job descriptions of board officers appear in the RAPRD Board by-laws. The duties of the chair, vice chair, board members (i.e., directors), board secretary, recording secretary, and executive director are summarized here:

A. Chair:

- 1. To preside over official meetings of the Board of Directors.
- 2. To establish the agenda necessary to conduct the official meetings of the Board of Directors, seeking input for agenda items by contacting members of the Board of Directors and the managers.
- 3. To provide continuity in conducting the affairs of the District by ensuring that the District is operated in a manner consistent with The Oregon Revised Statutes.
- 4. To provide leadership to the Board of Directors, guiding their work to ensure that the annual goals are pursued and completed.
- 5. To facilitate positive interaction between Board members, encouraging and soliciting an open exchange of ideas, suggestions, and opinions.
- 6. To motivate the work of the Board of Directors and the managers by providing positive reinforcement and encouragement.
- 7. To create standing and special committees, with Board concurrence; to appoint chairpersons and members of those committees, with Board concurrence; and to supervise those committees so that they are consistent with Oregon Revised Statutes and the operating bylaws of the District.
- 8. To endorse drafts of the District, ensuring a high degree of fiscal responsibility and accountability.
- 9. To call special meetings and/ or work sessions for the Board of Directors as required.

- 10. To work to build consensus, commitment, and synthesis among board members when pursuing the goals of the District.
- 11. To encourage citizen participation at Board meetings by creating a cordial, friendly, open, and responsive atmosphere.
- 12. To ensure that other members of the Board of Directors are in compliance and adhere to the policies of the District and are made aware of any deviation from same.
- 13. To serve as spokesperson for the District, representing the actions of The Board as a whole in a manner that reflects positively on the District.
- 14. To represent the District on other community boards, commissions or committees.
- 15. Has the authority to conduct investigations about complaints from the public and staff.
- 16. To organize and conduct the annual evaluation of the Executive Director of the District in the absence of the chair.

B. Vice Chair:

- 1. To preside over official meetings of the Board of Directors in the absence of the Chair.
- 2. To establish the agenda necessary to conduct the official meetings of the Board of Directors, seeking input for agenda items by contacting members of the Board of Directors and the managers in the absence of the Chair.
- 3. To provide continuity in conducting the affairs of the District by ensuring that the District is operated in a manner consistent with the Oregon Revised Statutes in the absence of the Chair.
- 4. To provide leadership to the Board of Directors, guiding their work to ensure that the annual goals are pursued and completed in the absence of the Chair.
- 5. To facilitate positive interaction between Board members, encouraging and soliciting an open exchange of ideas, suggestions, and opinions in the absence of the Chair.
- 6. To motivate the work of the Board of Directors and the managers by providing positive reinforcement and encouragement.

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- 15. To organize and conduct the annual evaluation of the Executive Director of the District in the absence of the chair.

C. Directors (i.e., Board Members):

- 1. Work as a team member in performing the duties of a director to assure that the board speaks with one voice.
- 2. To conduct the affairs of the District in such a manner that its integrity is maintained and it is perceived positively by its residents.
- 3. To engage in the process of legislative policy formulation and evaluation.
- 4. To promote the affairs of the District by engaging in public relations activities that in turn, assist in the cultivation of a positive public image.

- 5. To participate fully in short-term and long-term planning processes, ensuring that the resources of the District are utilized in an efficient manner.
- To identify the needs of the residents of the community by encouraging the formulation and implementation of market studies and other forms of needs assessment.
- 7. To actively promote the vision, mission, philosophy, and programs of the District by engaging in promotional activities and events.
- 8. To instill pride in the residents of the District and the professional staff by encouraging the creation of the dynamic and responsive organization, dedicated to meeting the needs of its residents with excellence.
- 9. To contribute to the enhancement of the Board of Directors' legislative decision-making capabilities by engaging in developmental activities directed toward the acquisition of new skills, knowledge, and competencies.
- 10. To ensure the long-term survivability of the District by maintaining a stable fiscal base.
- 11. To develop, adopt, and monitor policies to ensure the District's compliance with the Oregon Revised Statutes.
- 12. To serve as a liaison with other related organizations, institutions, and agencies, nurturing a positive and mutually beneficial relationship.
- 13. To represent the District on other community boards, commissions or committees.
- 14. To contribute to and participate in the legislative decision-making process of the Board of Directors by offering ideas, suggestions, and opinions concerning policy information.
- 15. To provide community leadership directed toward improving and enhancing the quality of life for the residents of the District.
- 16. To ensure that District residents are informed about the affairs, programs and other services of the District.
- 17. To participate, as practical, in professional associations on the state, regional, and national levels.
- 18. To participate in the goal-setting process by offering input in the form of ideas, opinions, and suggestions, thereby assisting in the active attainment of the vision of the District.

- 19. To encourage the use of forms of positive reinforcement to reward productive behavior among the professional staff and volunteers assisting the District.
- 20. To encourage and monitor a system of accountability, ensuring that the financial affairs, official minutes, and other documents of the District are maintained in a way that is consistent with Oregon Revised Statutes.
- 21. To hire and evaluate the Executive Director of the District to ensure continuity in operations.
- 22. Communicate with district staff through the executive director, to maintain order and clear lines of authority within the organization.
- 23. To participate in programs of the District, as well as observe services, areas and facilities, assessing their effectiveness in meeting the needs of the residents of the District.
- **D. Board Secretary** The board is required to appoint a member as board secretary, in accordance with ORS 266.370. The board secretary represents the board in business matters and signs ordinances, resolutions, proclamations, correspondence, contracts, and deeds, on behalf of the board and district.
- **E. Executive Director** The executive director is the district's chief executive officer and works under the direction of the Board of Directors. The executive director is responsible for all district administrative functions and for developing strategies and policies to assure that the board's objectives and the district's legal obligations are met. The executive director represents the district to its residents and other stakeholders and is charged with upholding the district's values.

The executive director hires and supervises all staff, and is ultimately responsible for the district's financial management. Documents guiding staffing and financial decisions are embedded in staff policies and the district's purchasing policy. The board may at any time create or amend policies to limit executive decisions.

- **F. Recording Secretary** A recording secretary who shall not be a member of the Board of Directors shall take the minutes of all board meetings and when requested by the chair. The recording secretary is customarily employed by the district as an executive assistant. The recording secretary:
- 1. Prepares and distributes meeting reports.
- 2. Makes public meeting notifications according to Oregon public meetings law.

- 3. Records the minutes of each board meeting (including special, work business, and executive sessions) and presents them for board approval, except for executive sessions where discussion is held confidential.
- 4. Maintains archives of minutes and other related board documents in accordance with district policy and state statute.

VII. BOARD MEETINGS

Public Meetings Act (ORS 192)

All regular meetings of the board shall be subject to Oregon public meetings statutes.

A. Regular Meetings— The board will determine the place and time for regular board meetings during the first regular meeting of each fiscal year. Regular board meetings have historically been held at the district office located at the Cascade Swim Center, 465 SW Rimrock, Redmond Oregon, at 6:30 a.m. on the second Tuesday of each month, except when the board has publicly posted an alternative date and/or location. The board may also choose to periodically conduct meetings throughout the community to ensure community engagement and inclusion. Visitors are invited to address the board at the beginning of regular business meetings, unless otherwise specified by the chair. Any visitor addressing the board shall state for the record their name, address, and subject matter. Notification of all meetings must be posted 24 hours in advance. The Recording Secretary posts meeting time, place, and topics on the district's web page, with local media, and on a district bulletin board located at the district office.

B. Special and Emergency Meetings— ORS 192.620–192.690

Special and emergency meetings may be called at any time by the chair by posting written public notification stating the time, place, and purpose of the meeting. If the chair calls a special or emergency meeting, the executive director shall be advised to ensure that proper public notification of the meeting is made in accordance with Oregon public meetings requirements. Minutes will be recorded of all special and emergency meetings.

C. Executive Sessions—ORS 192.660

Executive sessions may be conducted, in accordance with Oregon's public meetings law, to discuss land acquisition, litigation and personnel matters. All matters discussed in executive session shall be kept confidential by all board members. The board may not take action in executive session; however, it is acceptable to reach a consensus. If discussion in executive session results in a consensus requiring a formal decision of the board, the executive session must be adjourned and a business session convened in

order for a motion and vote of the board to be conducted. Minutes will be recorded for all executive sessions.

D. Quorum— ORS 192.660

The Board of Directors has five members; therefore, the presence of three members constitutes a quorum. If the board has a vacancy, a four-member board also requires a quorum of three. A board member participating via teleconference may be counted as present both for quorum and voting. Those participating in a meeting by teleconference shall have their votes recorded in the usual manner, and the minutes of the meeting shall indicate such presence by teleconference. To confirm their votes, the chair shall elicit an express response from any member participating by teleconference. A quorum of affirmative (i.e., "Aye") votes is required to fill a board-officer vacancy, or to adopt any motion involving the expenditure of money, or the letting of any contract, or any motion upon which the "Ayes" and "Nays" are demanded by any board member.

E. Agenda

An agenda, which shall set forth the order of business for meetings, shall be prepared and made available to the board and the public no less than 48 hours before the meeting. The agenda shall contain supporting data for the suggested items of business, with the executive director's (or their designee's) recommendations regarding each agenda item.

F. Minutes of Board Meetings

(ORS 192.650(1) and ORS 192.410–192.505)

The Public Records and Meetings. law (ORS 192.650) requires that minutes of each meeting be kept on file as a permanent record of the district. A record of board actions shall be set forth in full in the official minutes of the board. The recording secretary is custodian of the minutes and shall make them available to anyone, subject to Oregon public records statute and district public records policy.

G. Absence from a Meeting

Board members are expected to notify the board chair, executive director, or recording secretary if they are unable to attend a meeting. It is expected that board members are in attendance for a minimum of 75% of the meetings annually.

H. Vacancies

(ORS 198.320, Subsection 2, and Oregon Constitution, Article II, Section 9) A board member's office may become vacant if the board member resigns, moves outside the district boundaries, is recalled by election, dies, is convicted of a felony, refuses to take the oath of office, or is found to be mentally incapable of performing the duties of the position. In the event a vacancy in the membership of the board occurs, a

successor will be appointed by a vote of the board until the board calls a special election or the next general election. The period of service of the newly appointed board member will be subject to ORS 198.320, subsection (2): Filling of vacancies on boards of certain districts.

I. Order of Business

The general order of business and agenda topics are usually managed by a rolling agenda and set by the chair and executive director. The order of business typically proceeds as follows:

- 1.0 Call to Order
- 1.0 a Roll Call
- 1.0 b Adjustments to the Agenda
- 2.0 Communications (comments from citizens)
- 3.0 Consent Agenda
- 3.0 a Approval/Correction of Minutes
- 3.0 b Summary of Financial Reports & Checks
- 4.0 Action Agenda Items
- 5.0. Standing and Special Committee Reports
- 6.0 Other Business (Discussion Items)
- 7.0 Public Comments
- 8.0 Staff Comments
- 9.0 Remarks from the Directors
- 10.0 Adjournment

J. Rules of Order

Procedures not provided for in this manual or by statute shall be determined by Robert's Rules of Order, as revised.

K. Voting

All votes on motions related to contracts, ordinances, expenditure of funds, employment of personnel, and all resolutions, shall be determined by recorded votes of "Aye" or "Nay". Ordinances must be approved by a roll call vote. Any board member may request a roll call vote.

L. Amendment or Suspension of Policies

Any board policy may be suspended or revoked by a majority vote of the board. The executive director may, in an emergency, suspend any part of these rules and regulations as they pertain to the administration of the district, provided that the executive director reports the facts and reasons for such suspension at the next board meeting, and provided that the suspension shall expire at the time of said report unless continued by the board.

M. Conflicts of Interest (ORS Chapter 244)

Oregon's Government Ethics law (ORS Chapter 244) describes two types of conflicts of interest:

- **1. Potential Conflict of Interest** Any action, decision, or recommendation of a public official, including RAPRD staff, the effect of which could be to the private pecuniary benefit (money or something of economic value) or avoidance of detriment (relief from financial obligation or other financial loss) of the person or their relative or business.
- **2. Actual Conflict of Interest** Any action, decision, or recommendation of a public official, including RAPRD staff, the effect of which would be to the private pecuniary benefit (money or something of economic value) or avoidance of detriment (relief from financial obligation or other financial loss) of the person or their relative or business.

All conflicts, whether actual or potential, must be disclosed by the board member with a conflict, in the public record, before consideration of the issue. In addition, a notice of the actual or potential conflict and how it was addressed must be provided to the Oregon Government Ethics Commission within a reasonable period. A public official may not appoint, employ, promote, discharge, or demote a relative or member of their household unless they comply with these provisions.

When a potential conflict has been disclosed the board member may participate and vote, unless participation would violate the Code of Ethics prohibitions regarding the use of office for financial gain. When an actual conflict exists, the board member may not participate or vote unless their vote is necessary to take official action. Discussion or debate of the issue in question is still prohibited.

N. Special Committees

The board chair may appoint special temporary board committees or task forces for any purpose approved by the board. The functions of such committees shall ordinarily be fact-finding, deliberative, and advisory, and they shall make a formal oral or written report to the board for discussion and possible action. The executive director shall be an ex officio member on all committees except when their employment is under consideration. Special committees will be discharged upon completion of their assignment. All special committees are subject to the Oregon open meetings and public records statutes, which require that meetings be properly noticed, open to the public, and that minutes be recorded and maintained as a public record.

VIII. ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE

A. Fiscal Year

The district's fiscal year is from July 1 to June 30, as prescribed by state law.

B. Budget, Appropriation, and Tax Levy

The board shall adopt an annual budget and appropriation resolution and tax levy resolution at or before the first official board meeting in June of each fiscal year.

C. Annual Audit/Auditor of Record

Annually, all district funds and accounts shall be independently audited by Certified Public Accountants licensed in Oregon.

The Executive Director and the Chairman of the Board may request advice on any financial matters pertaining to the financial welfare of the Redmond Area Park and Recreation District. Individual Board Members should direct requests through the Executive Director and/ or the Chairman.

D. Evaluation of Board Operating Procedures

The board should evaluate and modify (as necessary) their operating procedures annually.

E. Insurance Agent of Record

An Insurance Agent(s) of Record shall be selected and appointed by the Board. The Agent(s) must be certified by the State. The Executive Director and the Chairman of the Board may request any advice that may be needed in handling or in dealing with insurance matters pertaining to the welfare of the Redmond Area Park and Recreation District. Individual Board Members should direct requests through the Executive Director and/ or the Chairman.

F. Attorney of Record

The district's attorney shall advise the board of directors and the executive director as required by due diligence. Historically the district uses Special Districts Association Legal counsel as the district's Attorney of Record.

G. Budget Committee— (ORS 294.336)

State statutes require the board to appoint a Budget Committee to review the district's annual budget proposal. The Budget Committee makes recommendations and approves the budget, which is then forwarded to the board for final consideration and adoption. The Budget Committee shall consist of all five members of the elected board and five district residents appointed by the board.

Each appointed member of the Budget Committee shall serve a three-year term. The terms of appointed members shall be staggered, with no more than three appointed members serving for the same three-year period. The board will advertise for interested

parties to fill any appointment vacancies that may occur on the Budget Committee. Applicants must be registered voters and reside within the district's boundaries.

To avoid bias favoring a vendor, service provider, or any unit of government, the following are prohibited from appointment to the Budget Committee: district officers, agents, or employees, or district vendors and service-providers. Interested parties must apply in writing, citing their qualifications and reasons for their interest in serving on the Budget Committee. Public interviews of interested applicants may also be conducted.

The board, by motion, will make appointments to the Budget Committee during a regular business meeting. The board may also designate an alternate Budget Committee appointee. The alternate appointee shall be encouraged to actively participate in budget discussions, but cannot vote. Designating an alternate appointed member will allow the board to immediately fill any appointment vacancies on the Budget Committee. At that point, the alternate member will become a full voting member of the Budget Committee. At the Budget Committee's first meeting each fiscal year, the committee shall elect a chairperson who shall conduct committee meetings, a vice-chair to conduct committee meetings in the absence of the chair, and appoint a recording secretary to record the minutes of the budget meetings.

H. Public Records— (ORS 192.001)

The records of the State of Oregon and its political subdivisions are so interrelated and interdependent that the decision as to what records are retained or destroyed is a matter of statewide public policy. Oregon public records law has been interpreted very broadly. Subject to the exemptions and conditions of the law, any covered documentation, whether in paper, electronic, or other format, can be considered a public record, must be retained according to records retention schedules, and must be produced upon request. This law pertains to district and private computers, personal digital assistants (PDAs), or other hand-held devices cell phones, text messages, tweets, e-mails, and postings on social networking Websites such as Facebook when used for district business.

The district's financial records, budgets, and minutes of board meetings are public property and as such are open to inspection at the district office by anyone, subject to Oregon public records statutes and district public records policy. Anyone, whether an individual or a group, may ask for a copy of public record(s), including memos, e-mails, and other board documents. All board members must retain all records generated during their service. When a board member's term ends, all records should be transferred to the district for retention and permanent storage. All public records requests should be immediately forwarded to the recording secretary for processing. Some requests will be processed by a decision of the executive director, whereas others may require legal review.

I. Knowledge of the Law Governing Public Agencies

All board members are expected to know and shall be responsible for observing all provisions of state and federal law and all board rules and regulations relating to their activities as board members. The executive director must notify the board should any board member be in violation of these requirements.

J. Participation in Professional Meetings

The district will reimburse board members' out of pocket expenses for all park- and recreation-oriented meetings they attend. A budget for national and state meetings will be approved in advance of such meetings. Board members are encouraged to attend meetings and conferences that will further the park and recreation services goals for the community.

IX. POLICY DEVELOPMENT

The differences among policies, ordinances, resolutions, and motions are often confused. The board has the authority to create policy directing the executive director to carry out the board's directives. The executive director can also establish policy to guide district operations. The board's decisions are implemented through the authority of three mechanisms: ordinances, resolutions, and motions, summarized below:

- A. Ordinances— An ordinance is a local law. The board, through its executive director, has the authority to enact and enforce ordinances. Some ordinances, such as the Park Rules and Regulations Ordinance. can be enforced by state and local authorities. All ordinances must have been formally adopted by the board. Formal adoption requires two readings conducted during regular business meetings of the board and ample time for public comment before adoption. Examples of district ordinances include the Park Rules and Regulations.
- **B. Resolution**—Resolutions are formal policies of the board governing internal district operations. As with ordinances, resolutions typically include a recitation of facts providing some historical context for the resolution. Resolutions can be adopted by a simple motion of the board. Examples of resolutions include the creation of the RAPRD pricing policy or approval of employee benefits.
- **C. Adoption by Motion**—The least formal action of the Board of Directors is to grant direction by simple motion. Board action by motion typically directs the executive director to enter into a contract, award a bid, or appoint a committee.

The executive director has the authority to develop and approve procedures for the administration of the district. Administrative procedures direct RAPRD human resources, finance, or operational functions. Examples of administrative procedure include procedures governing facility reservation and registration, non-monetary personnel policies, and policies governing the operation of facilities such as the

Cascade Swim Center and the RAPRD Activity Center. Administrative procedures can be quickly and easily altered to accommodate changing conditions.

X. PROGRAM PARTICIPATION

Board members are encouraged to participate in district recreation programs and to frequent the many parks and facilities available to the public. Program participation is the best way to judge the quality of the programs the district offers and gives the board member first-hand field experience. Board Members do not receive discounted program registration fees to participate in district programs.