

CARA Minutes

Date & Time: November 18, 2009 9:30am

Host & Location: City of Longmont Civic Center
350 Kimbark Street, Longmont, CO 80501

I. Recognition of Host: Jill thanked the City of Longmont and René for hosting this month's meeting. The City of Longmont is out to bid for a new bathhouse at Sunset Pool (the outdoor swimming facility) and is taking a furlough day the day after Thanksgiving.

II. Roll Call: Full Members (25): Apex, Boulder, Brighton, Broomfield, Colorado Springs, Columbine Knolls, Commerce City, Denver, Edgewater, Estes Valley, Foothills, Fort Collins, Golden, Highlands Ranch HRCA, Highlands Ranch Metro, Hyland Hills, Lakewood, Longmont, Louisville, Northglenn, Parker, South Suburban, Thornton, Wheat Ridge, Windsor

Associate Members (4): Eaton Tennis, Silverthorne, Sterling, WCPA

III. Associate Member Updates: Dennis from Sterling reported that the City's philanthropists bought the local Country Club and donated it to NEJC who will use the golf course for educational programming. WCPA reported that they are still growing and have had some interest in boy's gymnastics.

IV. Introduction of Guests: Marc from Fort Collins introduced Jeff Gail, an intern, who will finish with his internship next week and will be looking for work.

V. Approval of Minutes: Lenore Knox (Boulder) motioned and Brett Rodewald (Columbine Knolls) seconded that minutes be approved as sent. Motion passed.

VI Reports and Discussions:

A. Adult Sports – Lenore Knox (Boulder): Lenore reminded everyone to stay for the presentation after the meeting on “Dealing with Difficult People” presented by Stewart Ellenberg, City of Boulder Risk Manager and Deb Carson, City of Longmont Risk Manager. If you are in need of CEU's, make sure to pick up the paperwork from Stephanie after the presentation.

B. Gymnastics – Misty Gowdy (Commerce City): the committee will meet soon to put together meet schedules for next year. Misty reported that several CARA gymnasts and coaches did very well at the recent CHSAA High School state championships. Overland High School took 1st in 5A and Elizabeth High School took 1st in 4A. Both high schools have a large contingency of CARA gymnasts. There were many gymnasts who competed at the state tournament that have come through the CARA

ranks (see attached letter). Jill congratulated the CARA gymnastics program on a job well done.

- C. Hershey Track – Marc Rademacher (Ft. Collins):** the National Committee made some changes to the program for next year (budget cuts). They are going to cut the 4X100 relays for the 9/10 and 11/12 year olds at the national competition. Those events will still be held at the state level, the winners will not advance to the national competition. The State meet is tentatively set for June 19 in Fort Collins. Following the December CARA meeting there will be the holiday party – lunch provided by Hershey (flyer attached).
- D. Tennis – Michele Crouse (Apex):** nothing new
- E. Track – Reed Davis (South Suburban):** no report
- F. Youth Volleyball –** no report. Nicole Stehlik from Castle Rock will be taking over as chair in January.
- G. Youth In-Line Hockey – Becky Richmond (Golden):** the spring season is set for March 27-May 15. Schedules will be put together on March 17, so anyone interested in putting a team(s) in the league need to let Becky know before that time so that you will be included in the schedule. There are some rule additions/clarifications attached to this e-mail that will be voted on next month.
- H. Youth Sports – Bobby Warner (Windsor):** no report
- I. PP&K – Mike Sexton (Pueblo):** René reported for Mike - thank you to all the local and sectional hosts. The Broncos competition is this Sunday at Dove Valley with tickets to the San Diego game following.
- J. NSC – Brian Magnett (Northglenn):** the committee met with Doug from the Nuggets last week. Doug reported that NSC lost a major sponsor, so will not be providing t-shirts to local or sectional hosts this year. The Nuggets competition will be on March 20, hopefully at Metro State. The committee made some rule changes on passing – each participant will get three overhand and three chest passes from a designated spot (each age group will have a different spot). Brian will get the rules on the CPRA website soon and will be handing out local competition equipment at the December meeting. The local commitment form is included with this e-mail.
- K. RSC – Jill Nunes (Highlands Ranch Metro District):** not much going on.

- L. Fundraising – Marc Rademacher (Ft. Collins):** the poker tournament has been put on hold and will be reinvestigated after the first of the year.
 - M. Financial Report – Jayna Lang (Lakewood):** if you have anything outstanding, please get it to CPRA as soon as possible. The 2010 budget is done – Jayna will get it out to everyone. Stephanie reported that CPRA appreciates that all committees kept their expenses down.
 - N. CPRA Update – Dana Redford (Loveland):** Stephanie reported that the next board meeting with the newly elected board is in Grand Junction on December 4. 2010 is CPRA’s 60th birthday, so watch for some fun celebrations.
 - O. Website – Marc Rademacher (Ft. Collins):** Jill thanked Marc for all his work on the website. We will not be renewing the website domain but will instead use CPRA’s website. Robin from Wheat Ridge is working on a template for a newsletter that we will be using for CARA. CPRA will put anything on their website under the CARA category and is open to making their website more usable for CARA. There was discussion.
- VII. Unfinished Business:**
- A. 2010 meetings site and dates are all set**
- VIII. New Business:**
- A. Rule Changes**
 - 1. Tennis** – passed unanimously
 - 2. Track** – passed unanimously
 - 3. Volleyball** – passed unanimously
 - 4. Gymnastics** – passed unanimously
- IX. Discussion Items:**
- A. Volunteer applications and waivers** – Jill asked for input on the standards that everyone used for their volunteers. Commerce City has each volunteer sign a waiver stating they know they are not being reimbursed for their time. Boulder has their volunteers sign the same waiver as their participants. There was discussion. Stephanie suggested that this might be a good question to put on the CPRA website.
- X. Announcements and Door Prizes:** none
- XI. Next Meeting:** December 16 at 10:00am at the CPRA office in Wheat Ridge. – Holiday Party to follow the meeting.
- XII. Adjournment** – Bob Bullock motioned and Matt Miller seconded that the meeting be adjourned. Meeting adjourned at 10:30 am.

Respectfully submitted,

René Kingsley