

# Hinsdale Community Recreation Committee

Wednesday, June 10, 2020

6:00 pm

SAU building/Zoom conference (mixed due to COVID-19  
Social Distancing Guidelines/Recommendations

<b>Attendees:</b>	Sean Leary, Chair; Amanda Sweetser- Vice chair, Ann Diorio- Treasurer, Karyn Hammond- Secretary, Bernie Rideout- Selectman, Sarah Hudon- (remote/Zoom)- Program Director, Maryanne O'Malley (HASP), Gail Roberts, Theresa Diorio, Kathryn Lynch- (remote/Zoom)- Hinsdale Beautification Committee, Sam Kilelee, Katie Leonard
<b>Excused:</b>	N/A
<b>Others present:</b>	Jill Collins (remote/Zoom)

## Minutes

<b>Agenda item:</b>	Acceptance of minutes from meeting 5/28/20	<b>Presenter:</b>	Sean Leary
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**Discussion:**

Motion made by Theresa ; Seconded by Maryanne; Passed

<b>Agenda item:</b>	Program Director Report/Status of summer/seasonal programming – Emergency orders – state guidelines (45 min) (Pool/Day camp)	<b>Presenter:</b>	Sarah Hudon/Jill Collins
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**Discussion:**

**Day Camp:**

Review of Stay at Home 2.0 Guidelines; Theresa inquired as to input from Sarah and Tammy Stabbins; Sarah reported that she has 5 counselors (some other and that she has reviewed the Guidelines with the counselors and Tammy. The consensus from the counselors was to not hold an all-day, in-person in-person camp d/t feeling unsafe with present COVID precautions. Sarah stated that they were receptive to modified programming. Sarah reviewed that she had reviewed scenarios with counselors and subs specific to their groups with access to bathrooms. Sarah reported that mask recommendations (where, when, per age group) have been inconsistent.

Theresa asked about counselors that had already been trained (but not yet been hired) and their interest, possibility of holding camp with those counselors in place should they be hired. Sarah reported the timeline for hiring new counselors would be too tight. Sarah reported that she doesn't feel comfortable increasing attendance to more than 20. Theresa asked about the possibility of transitioning lifeguards who have had CPR and during training to counselor positions. Sarah reported that she had reached out to two pool staff members who are not working in Winchester with the potential of working as subs at the Day Camp. Theresa inquired as to whether any HASP personnel would be able to work as counselors. Maryanne reported that HASP personnel have had CPR/First Aid training at the minimum, in addition to other trainings. American Parks and Rec Association has recommended the 1:4 adult to child ratio. Gail inquired as to whether the present counselors would feel comfortable working in the mornings, wearing masks, enforcing social distancing, etc. Sarah reported that one counselor had voiced concerns about enforcing mask use with children, including campers that run off from the group, etc. Sarah stated that floaters would be needed for tasks such as these. Counselors inquired as to crossing state lines. Ann reported there is now a tri-state agreement between Maine, Vermont, and NH that states that self-quarantining for two weeks is now not mandated amongst those three states. Maryanne inquired as to whether stipulations apply to masks; Theresa concurred that the document states that mask-wearing is encouraged, not

mandated. Jill, Bernie reported that the priority is safety of the employees, citing liability concerns. Gail pointed out that the counselors have voiced their concerns. Kathryn asked Maryanne if before/after-camp would take place. Sean, Ann reported that specific areas have been approved for use for after-camp/HASP activities, including cafeteria and gyms at both schools.

Sean inquired as to the sentiments of the Selectboard regarding camp models. Jill replied that the typical all-day camp will likely not take place. Options including rotating sessions sorted by grade have been discussed. Jill also mentioned the soccer and baseball sports clinics. Sarah reported that the counselors have been more receptive to clinics and participating in planning. Sarah also stated that the counselors have been updated of the need to segregate their groups and the activities that could occur in this model (without use of the playground). Ann voiced concerns about parents/families attending as the guidelines state that family contact should be restricted in the Day Camp setting. Ann, Sean, Theresa inquired as to Sarah's vision of how Day Camp could take place within current restrictions so that the HCRC can have guidance for what to present to the Selectboard. Sarah reported that she would perform temp checks, half-day hours for day camp ending by afternoon (due to elevated temps, no pool access), mask-wearing by counselors, with workshops based on age (grade) groups. Sarah reported that they have decreased from a counselor count of 16 to the present 5. Sean inquired as to morning, evening programming. Sarah stated that she feels the rotating programming would likely be ideal for max camper enrollment of 20.

Sean asked about the meals program; Ann stated that this discussion at school level has been happening. Ann reported that meals need to be provided at Day Camp in order to receive the meals/comply with the grant. Ann stated that they would need someone to be available 7-11 to serve meals at the school. Ann reported Sam reported 28 meals distributed today delivered at the North Hinsdale Community Church; Maryanne reported approximately 60 delivered at the school.

Bernie asked for clarification regarding Day Camp enrollment at 20; Sarah confirmed this to remain within the staffing ratios. Bernie inquired as to the registration process. Sarah, committee suggested first-come, first-serve basis. Theresa inquired as to logistics of having rotating grade groups for families that have children in different grade groupings, transportation, etc. Sarah reported that the reality is that several families will need (and some have) secured alternate placement for their children. Sarah stated logistics will complicate the registration process. Theresa inquired as to selection process. Sarah reported grade grouping seems to be ideal to benefit the most children.

#### **Pool:**

Karyn inquired as to status of opening the pool. Sarah reported that the NH governor has still only outlined hotel pool policies (COVID-19). Sarah reported that a separate exit would be required, separate changing areas. If the pool were to open, there would be limit of 10 on the pool deck. Lifeguards must also wear masks, in addition to equipment restrictions, social distancing, etc. Sarah reported the pool does still need to be painted. Ann stated concerns about maintaining the pool despite not being open so that it will be operational in the future. Kathryn reported the pool was filled due to the crack prior to this season. It was recommended that the pool remain closed for this season due to above restrictions and to allow for painting/maintenance to be completed.

#### **Recommendations to the Selectboard:**

Sean asked about recommendations to request of the Selectboard. Ann requested that Sarah present her recommendations re: Summer Camp and Pool programming to the Committee (see above and discussion below).

Motion by Ann; Seconded by Theresa; passed by Committee. Bernie abstained and will vote with the Selectboard.

Sean offered to make the HCRC recommendation based on Sarah's presentation to the Selectboard. Sarah reported she and Tammy, and other camp staff will be cleaning the Day Camp building and will meet next Friday.

July 6 to be the targeted opening date for Day Camp. Theresa asked if trained but not hired staff would be able to serve as camp counselors. Jill reported hiring would be based on income, expenses, etc. The committee discussed that fees should be pro-rated and concurred that day camp would not be free. Ann made a motion that camp per child rate be set at \$30 per week, half days, to include breakfast and lunch. Katie inquired as to morning and evening services; Sarah reported an hour-long evening session would ideally take place.

Ann made a motion for \$30 per week per camper per session, \$5 per child per day for evening workshops. Theresa seconded. Maryanne asked about evening classes, grade specific vs all ages. Sarah replied that this would ideally apply to the same age groups that attended during the day, although sport clinics and flexibility would apply. Maryanne asked if registreed campers only could attend evening sessions; Sarah replied that she would like to open up the evening sessions to campers of all ages. Sam reported that sports guidelines are for 10 students within social distancing. Guidelines remain to be clarified regarding families, spectators. Kathryn reported that social distancing is taking place and families are staying in cars at recreational/sport activities of neighboring towns, with session duration based on age.

Motion passed unanimously.

<b>Agenda item:</b>	Meeting Adjourned	<b>7:01</b>	
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Motion made by Bernie; Seconded by Gail; Passed

Next HCRC meeting: July 23, 2020; Location/Method TBD