

Magalia Community Park Board of Directors Meeting  
Monday, December 2, 2024  
Magalia Community Center

Minutes to be transcribed by the Executive Director at a later date

Linda Horton-Lyons, Chair

1) Call to Order & Board Roll Call

Meeting called to order at 6:00pm

Board members present: Linda Horton-Lyons, Chair, Lucas Warmerdam, Vice Chair (via Zoom), Rich Gingery Jr, Secretary, Ryann Pinnegar (via Zoom), Phil Howard, Jake Bates, Disc Golf Commissioner, and Executive Director Chris Rauen. Not present: Roni Turner, Treasurer

Guests: Ryan Soulsby (Board Nominee), Mary Beth Flannigan (Youth for Change), Lauren Wemmer (Community Garden Committee)

Quorum: Board Quorum requires four (4) members. Quorum has been met.

- 2) Approval of Minutes: November meeting minutes have been submitted for review by the board;

***Motion to approve minutes was given by Phil & seconded by Linda. Minutes approved 5-0.***

- 3) Treasurer's Report – Chris (subbing for Roni)

Balance at Tri-Counties Account: \$65,076.36

- 4) Executive Director's Report – Chris

Chris reported that new display lights have been installed for the corner sign; a landscape crew referred to us by Heidi Lange did an amazing job with fall leaf cleanup & hauling around the community center buildings & walkways.

Community Schools Partnership Grant – No update yet, next meeting for stakeholders (MCP included) on January 22<sup>nd</sup>. Rich clarified that the school board approved it in November & just signed the contract, so we should expect meetings to ramp up soon; a wellness & resource center related to the grant has opened on the Pine Ridge campus.

Important meetings coming up to be held at the Community Center: URCC meeting Dec 5 at 6pm featuring John Stonebraker, now a new board member at Paradise Recreation and Park District; MCP will host the Camp Fire Collaborative's public meeting Fri Dec 6 at 8:30am.

No reports of any storm damage on the course; no drainage or tree issues. Jake discussed continued runoff issues with property owner at 18<sup>th</sup> tee & board discussion on how to resolve.

- 5) Heat & Air for Pro Shop – Chris reported to the board that the heating & a/c system in the pro shop is failing. Confirmed system was installed in 2012/13 just prior to the closure of PPGC and was not used until we arrived in June 2020. Jessee Heating & Air was able to get the air conditioning partially running this summer, however it has now stopped working altogether and produces no heat. Royal Aire (which services properties managed by Safor) attempted to service the unit in November and determined parts were no longer available. Royal provided a quote of \$11,000 to install a new one and online “kits” run in the thousands, for which you still need a trained professional to install. Because it is a small area, a portable Westinghouse 14,000 BTU unit with heat & a/c for \$479 (not including tax) has been proposed for purchase that will cover approx 700 sq. ft, which will provide comfort for patrons.

***Motion was made by Rich to purchase the Westinghouse unit from Home Depot for the pro shop and was seconded by Linda. Motion approved 5-0.***

- 6) First 5 / Youth for Change Update – Mary Beth Flannigan

Mary Beth talked about the soundboards they installed to help with echoes in the room; Beth and her husband make these, and kept them neutral in color to blend with the space & it’s varied uses. Classes have slowly started with more and more families starting to attend. Meeting w/Carrie Dawes on Friday re: coordinated grand opening being planned for both the Family Center and the Wellness Center at Pine Ridge, they are partnering together. Youth for Change will join with MCP for the tree lighting & Christmas craft party to help promote the Family Center. They will have a craft & bring hot cider. 60 turkey dinners were given away to needy families in Magalia & Paradise for Thanksgiving.

- 7) Discussion of Board Member Terms – Three board members have terms that expire at the end of December: Linda Horton-Lyons, Phil Howard and Lucas Warmerdam. All three have consented to stay on for another term with the MCP Board and Linda & Lucas (3 years, expiring Dec 31, 2027) and Phil (2 years, expiring Dec 31, 2026). Linda & Lucas have also agreed to continue to serve in their respective officer roles – Linda as Chair, Lucas as Vice Chair, with Phil serving as member at large.

- 8) ***Nomination of Ryan Soulsby to serve in the vacant position on the MCP Board.***

***Motion made to accept Ryan on the board made by Linda and seconded by Phil. Motion carried 5-0.***

Upbeat discussion among the board members about the diversity of the board and it’s solid representation of different aspects of Magalia Community Park, leaving the door open for board representation by a member of the community garden as well. Agreed by all that this was the first year that we have become a true community center.

## 9) Committee Reports

- A) Disc Golf Committee Report – Jake reported that even with several days of inclement weather, November disc golf sales brought in \$1000 more than in October. Tournament held on Nov 30 had a good turnout both by participants and recreational players not involved in the tournament. Ryan S. shared they are implementing new things to add more variety on the course for regular players, including playing the course backwards as part of a special event (aka reverse layout). Committee meeting on Wednesday to plan the 12 Pars of Christmas tournament.

Jake will be giving Ryan and other members of the committee green fee passes to start handing out in Chico (i.e. at the Sherwood Course & other locations) to help get the word out more about South Pines and bring in new players. Ryan mentioned that some of the passes may be marked to help track the types of new players who are coming to the course, as committee is discussing ways get players to come back and play more often. Still working on logistics, extended discussion on different kind of passes & prices being considered by the committee.

Discussion w/Linda & Jake on placement of business sponsor signs at certain tees; she will circle back to Joy Lynn's. Linda recommended having a sign at the pro shop letting people know that course sponsorships are available.

Lucas is looking to bring a full report from the disc golf committee w/proposals for the course at the next board meeting in January. Jake reported that he's implementing the family passes for disc golfers. They can buy a 6 month pass or a year-long annual pass for a set fee.

### Wellness Committee

- B) Community Garden Update – Lauren shared a poster with a collage of photos chronicling the year's history of the community garden. Thanks to all for the great dedication ceremony in October, they brought in several new gardeners from the event. Quarter page ad was placed in the Nugget also thanking everyone for their support & donations. Shelly Miller has taken over Amber's position with the Butte County Local Food Network overseeing gardens in Paradise & Magalia (including ours) & will continue to serve as garden support; Janel will provide support on the compost program through February. Garden members will do compost training with Janel. Talking about ideas for fundraising, raffles, seed swaps & more. Janel also has funding to buy fruit trees to plant just outside of the garden area. Continued discussion of working with the students & teachers at Pine Ridge in making the garden available to them.

C) Youth Program Update – Chris & Ryann offered a Teen Night in November but date conflicted with a sporting event on TV so numbers were not high enough to warrant a full event; TK-6<sup>th</sup> Grade Family Night Nov 1 was very successful with 30 kids. The Dec 6 Christmas Party will be our “kids night” for December, with a tentative teen night the following week. Has been slower bringing the teens back in due to our new rules & required pre-registration.

D) Events –

Community Christmas Tree Lighting & Children’s Craft Party Dec 6: Ryann has most of the crafts & supplies ready to go and will be here to oversee the event. Parent volunteers coming throughout the week to decorate & set up. Chris donated two coffee urns for making hot chocolate; Youth for Change will bring cider. Phil, Cole & Lisa have been working on the Christmas tree at the corner, which was donated this year by the Stirling City Volunteer Fire Dept. (Chris will have a sign made acknowledging the donation).

Tentative Kids New Years Eve Party – We were looking at potential collaboration w/Paradise Stronger however it will not work with their schedule this year and we will revisit in 2025.

#### 8. New Business:

Linda announced Paradise Lions Club & VFW will have their annual Kids on the Ridge Sat Dec 7 w/free gifts for kids & families needing a helping hand.

Phil brought forward the reminder that PRPD’s Neighbor to Neighbor grant is very much available and he’d like to see a “Fun Run” on the course. Ryann P. suggested that a fun run would be fun for kids as well. Application must be submitted by Feb 1. Jake & Ryan will also talk at their committee meeting about what ideas could work within their grant parameters.

Suggestions made about improvement for hybrid Zoom board meetings, similar to how PUSD board meetings are set up with mics for each person...or look into getting a 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> mic to add to our present system.

Next meeting will be Monday, January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2025

Meeting adjourned 8:02pm. Minutes to be transcribed by Chris from audio recording & submitted to the board for approval