PRAB Minutes
February 12, 2015

Present:
Eric Clayman
Leslie Twarogowski
Sarah Hall
Bernie Sharp
Jack Paterson
Andrew Doll
Lauri Dannemiller
JT Allen
Dwane Matthews
Sean Bradley
Shane Wright
Florence Navarro
Jolon Clark
Norma Brambila
Anne Green

Absent:
Marcus Panchner
Mary McCoin
Brian Elms
Noel Copeland

Call to order: Leslie Twarogowski 5:37pm

Consent Agenda Items

Approval of January minutes motion: Andrew Doll second: JT Allen

Public Comment

-Monarch butterflies are no longer present in Denver. This is in large measure because of a lack of milkweed. A request was made to stop using RoundUp and cutting down milkweed plants. Every member of the board was given a milkweed pod to plant.

Mangers Report

1: POFA was on for March. Then it was cancelled because the staff didn’t think that we needed it. Then some changes were made, and it has been decided that we do need to put it back on the agenda. So it will be on in the future, but not in March because we need 45 days notice.
Washington Park Rule Public Hearing

Park Rules and Regulations Update and Proposal- Lauri Dannemiller

- We have a temporary directive in place now, but we are now working toward having a permanent rule. The Staff is requesting the formation of a PRAB subcommittee to review the rules and regulations update in detail to assist the staff in the review and final preparation of draft rules.
- Proposed Policy:
  o There will be a determined passive area to allow for passive use and up to 50 nets (which is the same number allowed by permits this summer.)
  o No permit required in the non-passive area, but there will be the possibility of citations for team sports being done in the passive area
  o These areas will be determined by turf conditions and can be changed at the discretion of the Director.
  o Unlimited volleyball will be allowed outside the meadow
  o There will be special event expectations
  o This will be enforced from April 1 until September 30
- FANS (Friends and Neighbors of Washington Park) voted to support the proposed amendment
- West Washington Park Neighborhood Association
  o 6 months is a great start, but we need to have more flexibility to have enforcement for longer periods of the year. A nice weekend in the winter can have several thousand people in the park
  o Dominick Ryken spoke from the perspective of a volleyball player.

Motion for a vote to recommend to Lauri to adopt: Jolon Clark
Second: Anne Green
No opposition or abstention

Private Outdoor Fee-based Activities (POFA)

- Lauri Dannemiller for Fred Weiss
  o In 2014 we issued 14 POFA permits which resulted in a revenue of $3000
  o This applies to businesses operating in a park
  o Things to consider as we move forward:
    ▪ How do we handle Segues that do tours on our trails
    ▪ What about groups that don’t charge (i.e. Live Well)
    ▪ What about lakes and rivers?
    ▪ Working through the legal aspects of handling Commons Park
  o Public Hearing on POFA will be at the April PRAB meeting
Announcements

- Leslie Twarogowski: Table the discussion of Vice Presidency vacancy until next month when it will be put on the agenda
  - Leslie will be looking back over the past year to check on attendance and report out to any appointing authority on any member who has missed more than 4 meetings.
  - Traffic was totally horrible today.

Adjourned: 7:01pm