



City of Pensacola

PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD

MINUTES

City of Pensacola
222 W. Main Street
Pensacola, FL
32502

June 17, 2025

10:00 AM

Hagler-Mason, 2nd Floor

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Borden called the meeting to order at 10:00am.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Renee Borden, Kristin Brown, Michael Blankenship, Bradley Boes, Justine Roper Williams, Shirley Lewis-Brown, Suzanne Lewis, Kirwan Price

Members Absent: Adella Cushing

1. 25-754 SWEARING IN OF NEW BOARD MEMBERS

Chairperson Borden announced that there is an open seat on the board and encouraged anyone who is interested to apply.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

2. 25-753 PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD MINUTES DATED MAY 20, 2025

A motion was made by Parks and Recreation Board Vice-chair Brown and seconded by Board Member Blankenship.

Yes: 8 Renee Borden, Kristin Brown, Shirley Lewis-Brown, Bradley Boes, Justine Roper Williams, Kirwan Price, Michael Blankenship, Suzanne Lewis

No: 0 None.

CITY COUNCIL ACTION ITEMS

None.

OPEN FORUM

3. 25-758 PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

None.

STAFF REPORTS

4. 25-755 ANDREA MCKIVEN - AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS

Andrea McKiven, Parks and Recreation Out of School Coordinator, brought before the board a presentation (on file with the background material) providing an overview of the out-of-school programs at the centers.

Chairperson Borden inquired about the AED training and if each center has one at their location. McKiven responded by confirming that each center has the newest version of the AED and that staff are trained to perform on an adult and an infant.

Chairperson Borden also mentioned incorporating fitness and nutrition into the program. McKiven responded accordingly.

A member of the public, Jimena Caballero, inquired about how to get kids from other areas involved. McKiven responded by informing Caballero that she aims to attend as many schools as she can to spread the information to the parents. McKiven also mentioned that information can be found on the city website under Parks & Rec - PlayPensacola.

Board Member Lewis-Brown mentioned, when teaching about nutrition, to try to incorporate kid-friendly meals that they can make on their own without using the stove or other harmful kitchen equipment. McKiven responded accordingly.

Vice-chair Brown inquired about how the students sign up for the different activities provided in the out-of-school program and the time period of the program. McKiven responded accordingly.

Chairperson Borden inquired about the number of staff members for the program. McKiven responded by stating that each center has a range of 6-10 staff members, depending on the number of kids, during the school year, while the number is higher during the summer.

Chairperson Borden also inquired about the transportation of the kids. McKiven responded accordingly.

Board Member Williams inquired about the deadline for enrollment for the out-of-school program. McKiven responded accordingly.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

5. 25-799 DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Chairperson Borden inquired about updates on the Bay Bluffs project. Interim Director Shanaghan responded accordingly.

Chairperson Borden also inquired about Wayside Park updates. Assistant Director Byrd responded accordingly.

A discussion ensued.

NEW BUSINESS

6. 25-798 DENISE MANASSA - CDAC MOU

Denise Manassa, Director of Community Prevention at CDAC Behavioral Healthcare, brought before the board a presentation providing an overview of the programs and operations offered at Woodland Heights and Fricker Resource Centers.

Vice-chair Brown inquired about the budgeting and the CDAC staff at the centers. Manassa responded accordingly.

Vice-chair Brown also inquired about the program enrollment. Manassa responded accordingly.

Board Member Price inquired about the specifics of the MOU in regard to what is given by the city. Manassa responded accordingly.

Board Member Lewis-Brown commented on how this is good for the students' socialization because of the effect of COVID.

Board Member Lewis inquired if CDAC attempted to get funding from the Escambia Children's Trust. Assistant Director Byrd responded accordingly.

Chairperson Borden inquired about the costs of the program at the Woodland Center. Manassa responded accordingly.

Vice-chair Brown expressed her thankfulness for the programs and the detailed information provided through the presentation.

Board Member Price commented on how this is a great example of connecting the city's parks and rec resources with other organizations and having the organization's metrics presented to the board so they can get further details on the program before the MOU is taken to council.

A discussion ensued.

A motion to forward the MOUs to the City Council was made and approved by the Parks and Recreation Board.

7. 25-757 GRANADA SUBDIVISION PARK

Jimena Caballero, President of the North East Hill Association, approached the board to speak on behalf of Granada Park Subdivision.

A discussion ensued.

Chairperson Borden stated that this will be a topic that the board will keep on the agenda and continue to collect the information needed to help resolve the issue.

OLD BUSINESS

8. 25-756 DIRECTION '25

Chairperson Borden inquired if there were any updates pertaining to the Direction '25 project list. Interim Director Shanaghan responded accordingly.

Vice-chair Brown inquired about the lighting at the HTW basketball courts. Assistant Director Byrd responded accordingly.

Vice-chair Brown also mentioned adding a dog waste station at Corrine Jones on the eastside of the park.

OPEN FORUM

None.

CALL FOR AGENDA ITEMS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

WHEREUPON the meeting was adjourned at 11:25 A.M.
