



**MINUTES**  
**PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING**

Tuesday, August 7, 2007  
6:00 p.m.  
Memorial Park Senior Center  
1800 Byron Street

**Members Present**

Eileen Karlsruher, Chairperson  
Henry Stokes, Vice Chair  
Daniel Delahaye  
Joel Barrios  
Alma Wilson  
Robert Gonzales  
Matthew Carroll  
David Turner  
Jennifer Matthews  
Fred Shuford  
Olga Holguin  
Carl Pataky  
Alice Davis

**Members Absent**

Mary Lyerly  
Hector Munoz  
Thomas Carter  
Jaime Barceleau  
Mitch Doblado

**Staff Present**

Barry Russell, Interim Dir.  
Lucy Martinez, Rec. Sec.  
Joe Rodriguez, Rec. Serv. Mgr  
Dough Barnes, Sports Mgr.

**Late Arrivals/Early Departures:**

1. **Meeting called to order** by Chairperson, Eileen Karlsruher at 6:05p.m.
2. **Motion to approve July 10, 2007 minutes made by Robert Gonzales; seconded by Henry Stokes; all in favor; motion past unanimously.**
3. **Parks and Recreation Staff Announcements and Special Recognitions:**
  - a) A moment of silence was taken in memory of Leona Ford Washington, founder of the Leona Ford Washington Community Center, who past away August 5, 2007.
  - b) Mando Uranga did a presentation on raising awareness of Senior Sports Activities in the community with examples of Las Cruces Senior Sports Activities.
  - c) Paul Zimmerman did a power point presentation on the El Paso Skatepark Association, their goals, action plans and funding.
4. **Discussion and Information on Sports Grievance Procedures:** Changes in the language are needed before having the City Attorney reviews for legality. Another meeting of the Grievance Committee will be held to discuss further; time and date undetermined at this time.
5. **Discussion and Action on Appeal for Joe Pagan 1-year Suspension from Westside Recreation Center held July 27, 2007 by Alma Wilson, Chairperson: Dave Turner motioned to uphold the decision of the Grievance Committee to rescind the 1-year suspension given to Joel Pagan; seconded by Olga Holguin; all in favor; motion carried.**

6. **Discussion and Information on meeting held for Playful City USA by Henry Stokes:** Mr. Stokes stated that Playful City USA would bring recognition to El Paso nationwide and a grant of \$25,000 to encourage kids in more positive activities in play environment. Both Eileen Karlsruher, Chairperson and Henry Stokes, Vice Chair have applied for Playful City USA in behalf of Parks Advisory Board.
  
7. **Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.**