

Review the new Board Member Orientation Process:

Commissioner Hill discussed the new process for new board member orientation. There will be pre-election preparations, day of election and then the Friday of the election week a full day of training. This time will be going over the different departments in the organization, the Governance overview, tour. The goal would be to have that completed before their first board meeting.

Susan suggested that we put together a PowerPoint presentation talking responsibilities, departments, directors, org chart.

Commissioner Dawson mentioned to discuss the benefits the commissioners get, to review that with the new members. Also, regarding when to have the judge present, will there be a special board meeting to swear in the new members or part of a regular board meeting.

Commissioner Hill suggested to possibly have the meetings with the new members pre-scheduled.

Commissioner Hill asked to review and provide the suggestions in writing, and we can revise.

Review and discuss Fargo Park Board Gold Card:

The team started reviewing a new name for the Gold Card, discussion on Gold Card Benefit instead of privilege. Commissioner Dawson said she had talked with prior park board members and how do they use the gold card. She said the vast majority use it in a limited amount.

Commissioner Dawson talked with 2 of the 3 past clerks. Golf seems to be the most popular item that is being used but only a few times a year and most weren't taking guests. Some were using Courts Plus, but when getting to be a senior, Silver Sneakers, Medicare pays for it.

Commissioner Dawson said swimming pools came up, but none really used the pools, maybe taken grandkids once or twice.

There was discussion on clarification regarding guests, kids etc. What do we want to happen in the future? Having a membership at Courts Plus is not a revenue loss. There will be more discussion on this. There needs to be more definite clarification on past board members and guests.

Susan said she like the idea of annually reviewing this process, good opportunity to find out how board members are using the benefits. Commissioner Hill suggested to put this into our Governance model in the OE section.

Review and discuss the Governance Policy (GP)- 8-Commissioners addressing board member violations:

Commissioners and staff reviewed GP-8. Will review yearly.

Review and discuss Operational Expectation Emergency Succession (OE)-1

Commissioners and staff reviewed OE-1. Susan stated she meets weekly with Dave and Jayne and at that time that is when she updates them regarding communication she has had with the Commissioners. Will review yearly.

Review and discuss Operational Expectation Asset Protection (OE)-5

Commissioners and staff reviewed OE-5. There was discussion that we are working on this policy. Susan said we can do an update and state then it will be completed. This will be brought back in April meeting. Will review yearly.

Dave stated that these go to the consent agenda unless there is discussion. If any of the policies needed further discussion, they would go to the board meeting for discussion. If it is compliant in the Governance meeting, and everyone agrees, it goes to the board meeting to still be voted on but could be placed on the consent agenda.

NDRPA Legislative Update:

Broc reviewed and discussed the legislative updates. He provided a handout for reference.

Meeting adjourned at 9:27 am.

Minutes submitted by Carmen Johnson, Executive Assistant