



ARDEN PARK RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT

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Board of Directors

Chair Bill Andrews
Vice Chair Rebecca Akroyd
Secretary Brian Weatherford
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MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

August 19, 2025

7:00 pm – Arden Park Community Center

This meeting will be held at the above-stated location. This location is accessible to the public, and a member of the public may address the Board of Directors at this location. In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you are a disabled person and you need a disability-related modification or accommodation to participate in this meeting, please contact the District office at (916) 483-6069. Requests should be made as early as possible, and preferably at least one full business day in advance of the start of the meeting. Documents and materials related to an open session item on this agenda submitted to this Board after distribution of the agenda packet are available for public inspection and copying at The District office located at the address listed above during normal business hours.

I. CALL TO ORDER

A. Welcome

B. Roll Call and Announcement of a Quorum

Akroyd called meeting to order at 7:00 pm and announced a quorum.

Directors present: Akroyd, Burke, Shetty, Weatherford

Directors absent: Andrews

Staff present: Miller, Phillips

C. Agenda Approval

No changes made.

II. PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

A. Any member of the public who requests to address the Board on any item which is not on the agenda may do so at this time. Any matter that requires action by the Board will be referred to the staff for action or staff will be asked to report back to the Board at a subsequent meeting. Comments pertaining to scheduled agenda items will be heard when that item is discussed by the Board. Comments are limited to three minutes per person unless further time is granted by the presiding officer.

Randi Olson – Cresta way resident

- **Has not seen security car at Cresta recently.**
- **Sprinklers should be turned on at 9 pm to get people to leave the park.**
- **By-laws were not followed in the approval process for the Mariemont Meet and Great that was held at Cresta Park.**
- **AP Soccer said at the last board meeting that no seeding tournament would be held at Cresta Park, but it is on the Park's reservation calendar.**

Joyce Williams – Esperanza Drive resident

- **She sent an email to Miller and all board members and is questioning why she did not receive replies from all board members. Her email expressed concerns about the Meet and Greet, specifically that it exceeded capacity at Cresta Park. Parking enforcement issued 1 parking citation. CHP arrived after event had concluded. Williams thanked Miller for showing up at the event.**

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- **Staff is not enforcing golf cart rules.**

Brian Williams – Esperanza Drive resident

Regarding the lack of board member response to resident e-mails, do board members not have the responsibility to respond to constituents? Akroyd responded that they are trying to prevent quorum issues over discussions via email and must remain in compliance with the Brown Act.

Dancy Dobrenick – resident

- **Is AP a public park? Miller responded yes.**
- **What are acceptable activities at a park, and where are the park rules? Miller answered that the park’s governing documents are on the website.**
- **She feels that parking is sufficient at Cresta Park during soccer season.**

III. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Approval of the minutes of the Board Meeting held on July 15, 2025

B. Financial Reports-

1. Revenues
2. Salaries
3. General Fund Bills
4. Benefit Assessment Bills
5. Fixed Asset Bills
6. Cash in Treasury

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented was made by Weatherford, seconded by Shetty. Motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

A. Consideration and possible action to approve a Memorial Donation Policy

- **Burke suggested case-by-case board member approval for all bench requests.**
- **Weatherford questioned where future benches would be placed and how many benches should be allowed.**
- **Shetty is concerned about space issues for future bench requests.**
- **Burke motioned to require board approval for all memorial bench requests, then withdrew the motion in**

favor of a subsequent discussion when a map of current and proposed bench sites is available.

- **Miller will put together a map of bench sites. This issue will be agendized in future meetings.**
- **Public comments:**
 - **Bench placement must align with the Master Plan.**
 - **What happened to the old benches at Cresta that were removed during the remodel?**
 - **A memorial wall is an alternative to benches. We may be able to get free trees from the Sacramento Tree Foundation**

V. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Discussion of a new service to bring the District's website into compliance with new legislation
 - **New regulations require that our website must be accessible to blind members of the public.**
 - **Our website provider now has the tools to bring us into compliance, so we are proceeding with the process.**
- B. Discussion of sponsorship opportunities
 - **Sponsorship opportunities may become available with a local bar and a cannabis education association – should we pursue these?**
 - **Weatherford recommended drafting a sponsorship policy.**
 - **Burke reminded that we are a park district. Although cannabis and alcohol are legal adult substances, they are not legal for minors.**
 - **Miller will review sponsorship policies at other park districts.**
- C. Discussion and possible action to nominate a board member to run for representative seats for the Sacramento LAFCo
 - **The board can nominate a member to serve on LAFCO – no board member expressed interest.**

VI. REPORTS

- A. Staff Report
 - **Planning is ongoing for Fall Festival.**
 - **Our CAPRI site inspection is next month. Ethics and SA Training must be completed by all board members.**

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- **Before/after school programs started last week; they run 7 am – 6 pm. Preschool starts after Labor Day.**

B. Standing Committee Reports

HR Committee:

- **The new personnel manual is under review.**
- **Miller’s new employment contract has been signed and filed.**

Facilities Committee:

- **Still reviewing the fire station asbestos report; getting another bid.**
- **Met with fire department to discuss emergency response at Cresta Park. Streets were code compliant at the time they were constructed.**
- **Curbs can be painted red at fire hydrants and stop sign approaches. Curb painting is not a high priority for the county. Unsure if we can do painting ourselves.**
- **Miller will contact Department of Transportation for curb painting guidance.**

C. Security Report

- **Nothing of concern to report.**
- **Confirmed that lighted cars that patrol the neighborhood are used by our security company.**

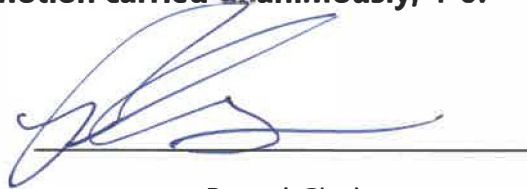
VII. BOARD COMMENTS

- **Shetty would like an update on water meter work at Cresta Park to see if it will affect our facility reservations. Miller will follow up.**
- **Weatherford commented that although there was a lot of traffic at the AP Soccer Opening Day event, he thinks it is a good event for the neighborhood and community.**
- **Burke agrees with the decision to allow the school Meet and Greet. However, he was at the park during the event and noted safety violations, including blocked driveways, blocked fire hydrants, and illegally parked cars near intersections.**
- **Burke suggested drafting a policy requiring board approval for large, non-district reservation requests. Capacity limits would have to be established first.**
- **Burke also suggested curb painting at Cresta, with temporary signs put up in the interim with vehicle codes stated. A visual showing areas of painted curbs can be shared with AP Soccer.**

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- **Weatherford suggested that McGuire Hester should paint the curbs since they are installing the meters.**
 - **Public comments:**
 - **Were soccer seeding tournaments and Opening Day included in the recent board decision not to change AP Soccer field usage?**
 - **AP Soccer has outgrown our parks.**

VIII. ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn the meeting made at 8:24 pm by Burke, seconded by Weatherford. Motion carried unanimously, 4-0.



Board Chair
September 16, 2025