

**Rodarte Advisory Board Meeting Minutes**  
**Wednesday, March 29, 2023**  
**5:15 p.m. – 6:15 p.m.**

**1. Call to Order:**

Samantha DuVall called the meeting to order at 5:23 pm

**2. Advisory Board Attendance:** Samantha DuVall, Yvette Flores, Daniel Reyez, Emma Pena-McCleave, Darren Dunn and Julie Jensen.

**Staff:** Brecken Arnold, Recreation Supervisor; Alex Reaves, Recreation Manager and John Dargle, CPRD Director

**Absentees:** Derek Andersen

**3. Approval of Minutes:** Julie Jensen moved to approve the Wednesday, February 15, 2023, minutes. Daniel Reyez seconded the motion, and the Advisory Board approved the Wednesday, February 15, 2023, minutes.

**4. New Business:**

- a) Board and Commission Appreciation Reception on Thursday, April 27, 2023, from 5:30-7:00 pm at the University of Northern Colorado.
- b) American Rescue Plan Act-ARPA application submission and process for the Anna Gimmetstad Community Center. Staff are completing a feasibility study proposal to be sent out to bid. Staff will present the draft of the ARPA application at the next Rodarte Advisory Board meeting.
- c) Advisory Board Members that terms are expiring in April are Emma Pena-McCleave, Sam DuVall and Derek Andersen. Deadline to reapply is Monday, April 3, 2023, by 5:00 pm.

**5. Old Business:**

Programs:

**Boxing-**

- 2022: 18 youth and 3 adults
- 2023: 25 youth and 4 adults

**After School Program-**

- Numbers:  
Anna Gimmestad Community Center:
  - 2022-41
  - 2023-50

- Rodarte Community Center:
  - 2022-102
  - 2023-123

**“Play on the Way”-**

- Hosting “Play on the Way” at indoor recreational facilities across Greeley this spring.
- Summer schedule will be at various outdoor locations across Greeley.

**STEP (Summer Teen Employment Program)**

- We received 137 applications for 25 positions.
- Applicants will schedule their interview starting today at 4:00 pm and the deadline to schedule an interview is Friday, April 7, 2023, by 5:00 pm
- Interviews will be held Monday, April 17, 2023-Friday, April 21, 2023, at the Rodarte Community Center.

**STEAM Summer Scholars program-**

- Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 9:00 am-12:00 pm from May 22-June 30, 2023.
- Registration will begin Monday, April 3, 2023
- Funded by United Way of Weld County

**“Fun In The Sun”-**

- 9-week program running Monday-Friday from 7:45 am-5:15 pm at The Rodarte Community Center and 1:00-5:00 pm at Anna Gimmestad Community Center.
- Start Monday, May 22, 2023, and end Friday, July 28, 2023, to ensure families have care for their children while they work.
- Registration:
  - Open Registration: Monday, April 3, 2023
  - Deadline: Monday, May 15, 2023
- Fees
  - Rodarte Community Center
    - Priority=\$150.00 with a max of \$100.00 to be used from
    - General Registration=\$450.00
  - Anna Gimmestad
    - Priority=\$100.00 with a max of \$66.00 to be used from
    - General Registration=\$225.00

- This summer youth will receive a swim shirt, water bottle and sunglasses, which is funded through the child-care stabilization grant.
- Currently working with Northrange Behavioral Health on scheduling preventative mental health activities and lessons for the duration of the summer.

**Staff:** Currently interviewing, hiring, and onboarding part-time staff for the summer.

**Facilities:**

- Began opening on Saturdays from 10:00 am-5:00 pm on January 7, 2023. There has been slow growth and last Saturday, there were 21 kids in attendance.
- Zumba fitness classes have started back up in collaboration with Weld County Health Department this month. About 15-20 participants come on Thursdays from 6-7 pm.
- The State of Colorado did their annual child-care inspection, and we have 3 minor write-ups that were correct within 2 business days.
- Received a \$20,000 grant from Trust for Public Land to start the expansion of the community garden at the parcel we acquired at 917 A Street.

**Special Events recap and upcoming events:**

- The Young Adult Job Fair was hosted on Wednesday, March 8 from 5:00-7:00 pm at Island Grove Events Center. There were 517 youth in attendance.
- We will be co-hosting with the Family Funplex a Community Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 1, 2023, from 10:00 am-12:00 pm.
- National Youth Service Day Awards will be April 18, 2023. We received 8 nominations and Merelyn Chavez will be awarded a \$1,000.00 scholarship and plaque at the Greeley City Council meeting.
- Teen Night Out will be Friday, May 26, 2023, from 6:00-8:00 pm.
- The Rodarte Boxing Club will be hosting a Boxing Smoker in September of 2023.

- Goals

Short Term (1-3 years)

- Comply with the State of Colorado and Weld County for childcare licensing by understanding rules, regulations, and policies by passing annual inspections.
- Secure sustainable partnerships for mental health programming through Northrange Behavioral Health and Northern Colorado Health Alliance.
- Offer additional special events in collaboration with the Funplex for multi-location holiday offerings.
- Acquire property across the street to build a community garden and outdoor classroom, in collaboration with Al Frente de Lucha and Parks Division.

- Secure funding and build an outdoor basketball court on the south side of the Rodarte Community Center in collaboration with the Parks Division.
- Apply for funding to help supplement a new facility at Anna Gimmestad Community Center. Get initial commitment and support from the city.
- Secure a sponsor for the boxing program that commits every year to at least \$5,000.00.

Long Term (5-10 Years)

- Vision of collaboration of Boys and Girls Club, Family Funplex that covers the north, east, west, south, and central Greeley with quality out-of-school time programming.
- Complete a new facility with outdoor physical activity spaces for the Anna Gimmestad Community Center.
- Gymnasium upgrades-flooring, scoreboards, and volleyball nets.

**6. Agenda Items for Next Meeting**

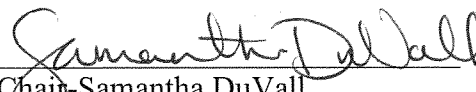
- a) Programming
- b) Facilities-Anna Gimmestad-ARPA application review
- c) Special Events
- d) By-Laws

**7. Next Meeting Date and Location:**

Wednesday, April 19, 2023, at Rodarte Community Center from 5:15-6:15pm

8. **Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 6:29 pm

  
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Secretary-Brecken Arnold

  
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Chair-Samantha DuVall