

I. **Minutes From Last Meeting**

The minutes from the May meeting were approved.

II. **Treasurer's Report**

As of the end of May, the balance of Advisory Council funds is \$18,271.59. Included are deposits for next year's pre-school program, summer camp and the flea market. As always, a full review of the budget is available at the office.

III. **Committee Reports**

Programming:

- The Pre-school program ended its first year at the end of May. It was very successful and is self-sustaining. The capacity of the program is 24 children. Only 4 slots are still available for next year.
- A program called *All Around the World* for young children is scheduled on Saturdays through September.
- Pottery class for children ages 5+ is ending. It will resume in the Fall. An adult pottery class will also be added.
- Summer Camp begins on July 2nd. This year's curriculum will include the *Boot Straps* class for children grades 6-9 and is designed to use computers to help build math skills. There is no extra charge for this class and will begin on July 3rd.
- Other planned summer programs include Family Movie Night, a Concert in the Park, and possibly Theater in the Park
- Planned programs to begin in the Fall include pottery for adults and children, Zumba and yoga will resume.

SPADO:

There was no new news from SPADO representatives. A shed is proposed for the "vestibule" area for storing tools

Beautification:

The park was entered in the City Gardens Contest to take place in July.

IV. **New Business**

Ideas were solicited from those in attendance regarding programming and park maintenance/improvements. The following is a list of ideas that were raised:

- Develop programming for children ages 11-14
- Boot Camp training piloted on Monday nights
- Reserve the field for open community use on Sundays
- Ideas for the "patio" area on 13th street:
 - Add lighting and new benches
 - Conversational tables with benches that are affixed to the ground
 - Stone pavers to mitigate dust
 - Sell stones or benches to memorialize a loved one
- Add benches in various areas around the park
- Add a bocci court
- Expand the dog park
- Make use of the Round House

The Design Collaborative is being pursued as a means for creating a plan for the use of the Round House and possible funding.

To address the dust problem coming off of the field, it was suggested that air quality testing be done to support the need to address the issue as a health problem. In order to really address the issue, the field needs to be totally redone, including removal of the cinders and filling in with new soil and seed. It was suggested that concerned residents write to the Commissioner, Mayor and City Council Representatives regarding the need to address this problem.

V. **Next Advisory Council Meeting:**

This was the last meeting of the Advisory Council until the Fall. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 20, at 7:00 PM.