

Columbus Square Advisory Council Meeting
Thursday, March 21, 1013
Meeting Summary
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I. **Minutes From Last Meeting**

Minutes from the February meeting were approved.

II. **Treasurer's Report**

The treasurer's report was not available. However, as always, a full review of the budget is available at the office.

III. **New Business**

- Perimeter lights have started to be installed on the 13th Street side of the park.
- Plans are in place for having the broken sidewalks repaired. This should be happening soon.
- The Community Design Collaborative has awarded a grant to the park to help frame a plan for use of park space. A task force of approximately 20-25 people including a cross section of residents and users of the park, advisory council officers and department of Parks and Recreation staff will meet with Design Collaborative representatives 2-3 times to brainstorm on a vision for use of park spaces. The first meeting will be toward the end of April. The entire process should take about six months. At the end of the process, the Design Collaborative will develop a plan based on task force and community input. The plan will also include recommendations for funding to implement and maintain the plan.

IV. **Programming**

Current and future programming was reviewed. Flyers with information about all activities/classes are available at the front counter.

- Zumba class continues on Monday nights from 6:30-7:30 pm and will run through Monday, June 24, 2013. The cost is \$6.00 per class or \$25.00 for five consecutive classes.
- Yoga class continues on Tuesday nights from 6:30-7:30 pm and will run through June 25, 2013. The cost is \$6.00 per class or \$25.00 for five consecutive classes.
- The Play Group for children under age 5 accompanied by an adult, continues on Thursdays (9:30 to 11:30 AM) and Fridays (2:30 to 4:30 PM).

Cost is \$3.00 per child per day or \$2.00 per child for families with more than one child. Ten passes can also be purchased for \$20.00.

- The After School Program runs Monday through Friday from 3:00-6:00 pm. There is a \$25.00 registration fee and costs \$35.00 per week or \$140 per month.
- The pre-school program is divided into two age groups, 3 year olds and 4 year olds. All sessions are 9:00 am to 12:00 noon. The three-year olds meet on Tuesday and Thursday; the four-year olds meet Monday, Wednesday and Friday. There is a \$50 registration fee. Tuition for three-year olds is \$810 for the school term or \$90 per month. Tuition for four-year olds is \$1125 for the school term or \$125 per month.
- Registration for Summer Camp will be held on March 25 and March 27 for returning campers and on April 1 for new campers. An information sheet with details is available at the front desk.
- Pottery classes for children and adults are resuming on 4 consecutive Thursday evenings beginning April 4 through April 25th. The children's class is from 6:15-7:15 at \$50.00 and the adult class is from 7:15-8:45 at \$65.00.
- T-ball will be starting April 8 through May 20th for boys and girls ages 4-6. Practices and games will be held on Mondays 6-7 PM at Capitolo Playground, 9th and Federal streets. There is a registration fee of \$10.00.

IV. Upcoming Special Events

- There will be an Art Auction at Theater Exile on Friday, March 22nd. This is a fundraiser for the Passyunk Square Civic Association. Tickets are \$10.00.
- The Spring Flea Market is scheduled for Saturday, April 27th from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm. Set up will start at 7:00 am. More details regarding purchase of spaces will be forthcoming.
- Love Your Park clean up event will be held on Saturday, May 11th.
- The Fall Pumpkin Fest and Flea Market is scheduled for Saturday, October 26th.

V. Next Advisory Council Meeting:

The Columbus Square Advisory Council is looking for new people to serve on the advisory board and to serve as officers. Anyone interested in serving as a future officer is encouraged to contact the office

The next meeting of the Advisory Council will be Thursday, April 18th at 7:00 PM.

Meetings for the remainder of the year are as follows:

May 16

June 20

September 19

November 21

December 19 – Annual Holiday Party