

City of Auburn **Recreation Department** Dawna LaBonte', Director

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Parks and Recreation Advisory Board - Meeting Minutes

Wednesday February 14, 2024, at 4:30pm

Members Present: Jeremy Gatcomb, Misty Edgecomb, Haley Warden, Sara Parker, and Julia Bergeron-Smith

Absent: Tim Cougle and Dawna LaBonte

Meeting Minutes: January's approved Haley/Julia; all in favor unanimous.

Department Update:

- Walton School future potential The group talked about potential opportunities if Walton were to become a community center one day.
 - o could be used for all child care
 - Could be used for offices
 - Could be used for rental space
 - Could run Grab N' Go program out of the kitchen
 - Gym stage area could be ideal for b-day parties
 - Could be office rental space
 - Could have a dance studio
 - o Is there a potential that there could be a pool at that location

New Business:

- **Tour of Walton School** Sara took the committee on a tour of the school, she explained that parents did not have to get out of their vehicles while dropping off their children off, which made it a much easier process. She showed them where each grade was located during the summer day camp program as well as where they ate and the playground etc. The staff and kids were able to use all the lockers in the hallway. There was summer school at Walton as well, but they did not need a lot of space, so it was able to work well. The group talked about the need for more space during the summer and Misty encouraged Sara to ask for more this upcoming season.
 - Kindergarten, 1st, 2nd graders downstairs ~ didn't work
- PAL Fundraiser Sara reminded the group that it is being held Thursday February 15th at Burnt Ends in Auburn
- Sara told the switching up the brochure combining spring and summer. The senior center and PAL will have separate calendars (people will be directed to a link)

Work in Progress:

Brainstorming session -

Meeting was adjourned, Haley/Misty; all in favor unanimous.

Next meeting will be held Wednesday March 13, 2024 – 4:30pm at the Senior Center

[&]quot;Auburn Recreation promotes a healthy lifestyle through various recreational activities focused on enhancing the well-being of all Auburn citizens."