

**VRPS NORTHERN SERVICE AREA**  
**Wednesday June 27 10am-12pm**  
**AV Symington Aquatic Center, Leesburg, VA**  
**Minutes**

**Attendees:** Emilie Shumate, Sarah Oberther, Amy Maltese, Sheri Conrad, Abby Kimble, Julie Miles, Nicole Woodward, Sandy Kellog, Blythe Russian, Danny Schlitt, Jimmy Ruby, Casey Lemaster, Haley Seefeldt, Brandon Ware, Tim Pope, Levi Lainhart, Katey Jackson

**Agencies Represented:** Falls Church Recreation and Parks, Fairfax County Park Authority, NOVA Parks, Loudoun County PRCS, City of Alexandria, City of Fairfax, Herndon Parks and Recreation, & Town of Leesburg

- I. Call to Order:** by **Sarah Oberther** at 10:14 AM
- II. Introductions/Round Room**
- III. Review & Approval of Agenda** –motion to approve by **Sheri**, second by **Emilie**. Agenda Unanimously approved
- IV. Review & Approval of Minutes**-. Minutes from 4/25/18 - First **Amy**, Second **Sheri**. Minutes Unanimously approved
- V. Treasurer's Report (Sheri Conrad)** No changes since last meeting. Current overage is \$1,161.12.
- VI. Board Liaison Report: (Michael)** –
  - Not present
- VII. Chairman's Report (Sarah):**
  - Executive Meeting held on 06/07/2018 – focus was on the work plan
  - Elections-
    1. Seeking 2 positions for the NSA-3 year commitment
    2. Ballot information due to Central Office by July 15.
    3. Submit your nominations to Sarah by July 10.

Only requirement is that you are a VRPS member.
  - Work Plan Updates- Sarah reviewed all goals and provided a status update
  - Feedback from meeting survey-
    1. Round table highlight in meeting minutes.
    2. Will post on website in timely manner.
- VIII. Old Business:**
  - Sponsorships for Workshops & Events – looking for in-kind mostly. Pinecrest is hosting November social – providing foot golf at no charge to NSA
  - 2019 VRPS Management Conference February 23-26, 2019
- IX. New Business:**
  - Fall Workshops (Amy Maltese)

1. September 19, 2018 Special Events Workshop – not ready to announce topic/speaker but save the date, it is happening!

### **Subcommittees:**

- Communications & Social Committee Update (Julie Miles)
  - Web Updates (Julie Miles) – take a look at our page and other service areas. If there is content you'd like to see that is not included, let Julie know.
  - Got-To Meeting Options (Julie Miles) – will be available for Sept 19 meeting
  - Social Series-
    - 2019 Winter Social (Julie Miles) – still looking for a host – please let a board member know if you have a suggestion.
    - Social Series-2018 VRPS NSA Conference Social (Emilie Shumate) – looking at Red Robin from 4:30-6pm Monday, after sessions, before awards dinner. NSA will likely purchase appetizers and it will be cash bar with great specials. We will inquire what the expectation for a VRPS social contribution is.
- Awards and Citations (Abby Kimbell) – Early bird deadline Saturday – final deadline July 30 – never hurts to submit!
- Aquatics Updates (Melissa Nester) – not present
- 2019 Conference- (Amy Maltese) – there have been two meetings since our last NSA meeting, one of which included a tour of the facility. Reston Community Center is sponsoring the keynote. The schedule is just about complete. A video is being created to show at the conclusion of the 2018 awards dinner.

**X. Camper Safety at Pools Talk-** Presentation by Sandy Kellog, Fairfax County Park Authority

**XI. Next Meeting-**

September 19, 2018- 10:00am-12:00pm

The River View Event Center

Occoquan Regional Park

Lorton, VA

**XII. Discussion and Roundtable**

**Fairfax County Park Authority:** Partnered with Special Olympics – participants completed aquatic competitions; Busy camp season; Recently completed CAPRA visit.

Will hear back in the fall; New management structure effective August 1; Alcohol Policy out for public comment; One month into their new POS program; Concert series

**Leesburg:** July 4 event on the front field; Taste of Leesburg event August 10; New effort regarding emergency management for special events

**Herndon:** Updating Strategic Plan; Busy camp season

**Alexandria:** Trucks event July 14 at Chinguapin Park

**City of Fairfax:** July 4 parade and fireworks

**Falls Church:** July 4 event, Concerts in the Park, Camps; New Logo

**NOVA Parks:** Grand Reopening of Occoquan and River View at the Jean R. Packard Center - Brickmakers Café, great reviews. Sunday is first open house for weddings but they already have 50 bookings. Running a wedding giveaway campaign.

**Loudon:** July 4 events begin this weekend- multiple events; Class & Compensation study occurring; Dulles South is now open; Claude Moore under renovations.

### **XIII. Adjourn**

