

**REGULAR JOINT MEETING OF THE
HESPERIA RECREATION AND PARK DISTRICT
AND THE
HESPERIA AREA RECREATION DISTRICT FOUNDATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Thursday, August 26, 2021 - 6:00 p.m.
Lime Street Park Community Center
16292 Lime Street, Hesperia CA 92345**

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by President Drylie.

ROLL CALL

- a. Committee: Gonzalez, Roberts
- b. Foundation: Hill, Drylie, Blocker, Dupree
- c. District Staff: Chavez, Campbell, Tighe, Garcia, Hauser
- d. Other: None

FLAG SALUTE

Director Dupree led the flag salute.

MESSAGE TO THE PUBLIC/PUBLIC COMMENT

None

COMMUNICATIONS

None

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

Item E. was moved to be addressed after Item A.

- a. Approval of July 22, 2021, Meeting Minutes
Motion made by Director Hill to approve minutes as written, seconded by Vice President Dupree. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Hill, Drylie, Blocker, Dupree
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Item E. was addressed at this point.

- b. Hesperia Days Update
 - 1. Mr. Chavez reminded the Board of the upcoming Hesperia Days festivities on September 18-19.

c. Preservation Committee Update

1. President Drylie highlighted the recent work being done and in the planning stages. The Committee is gathering information on a Hesperia Hall of Fame including locals that went on to become famous for sports, government, arts, music, writing, and more.
2. The Committee is working on "Now and Then" postcards.
3. Donations have been received from Wells Fargo, book sales, and individuals.
4. Meetings with schools are being planned for October.

d. Update on 2022 Special Events Platform

1. Discussion was made about fireworks for the 4th of July holiday. Pros and cons are being weighed by all involved, including funding and possible adjustments to other special events. The District Board has given direction to look into moving Hesperia Days to the 4th of July. Partnerships such as the City, School District, and others will need to be on board as well. Other considerations include vendors and their possible commitments elsewhere that bring funding, participation from the schools being that school is not in session in July, community members on vacation, the weather, and staffing.
2. Motion made by Vice President Dupree to have a resolution that states the HARD Foundation Board is opposed to moving Hesperia Days to July, seconded by Director Hill. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Hill, Drylie, Blocker, Dupree
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

e. Discussion Regarding Sponsorships and Fundraising

This item was discussed after Item A.

1. Mr. Chavez inquired on the progress of the Hot Rod Halloween event, including networking and recruiting car clubs. He requested that a stronger attempt be made in fundraising efforts and ideas.
2. The Board discussed future fundraising and challenged each other to bring additional ideas to the next meeting.

DISTRICT FOUNDATION COMMITTEE

a. District Board Report

1. Director Gonzalez reported on the following:
 - The District Board discussed updates to the Board Policy Manual, added "Maintenance" to the Safety and Security Committee title, discussed standards for CFD developments and lighting standards, and considered moving Hesperia Days to July.

b. Comments

None

STAFF REPORTS

- a. Programs/Events/Activities Handouts
 - 1. Mr. Chavez highlighted the recent change in staffing at Hesperia Lake Park.

- b. Comments
 - 1. Director Blocker inquired about the attendance at Movies in the Park. It was below average, but expected in the current climate.
 - 2. President Drylie added that he's still seeing trends of the people being hesitant to attend events and it may take a while for things to resolve.

FOUNDATION PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS

- a. President Drylie expressed that he aims to speak at the upcoming Ignite High Desert on locally operated museums, which are volunteer based with low budgets, yet ran by people with a lot of passion.
- b. He's attended Greater High Desert Chamber of Commerce Friday Morning Coffee Breaks and even spoke at one. The museum attendance is low, but he's been doing a lot of work throughout the community.

FOUNDATION DIRECTORS' COMMENTS

- a. Vice President Dupree - none.
- b. Director Blocker - likes the idea of bringing the fundraising ideas to the next meeting, and working together to make some money. The Foundation plays a crucial role.
- c. Director Hill - is looking forward to being able to get back to normal.

ADJOURNMENT - Meeting was adjourned at 7:14 p.m.