



**Athletic Committee Meeting - AGENDA**  
**Monday, September 19, 2022**

**1. Chair & Co-Chair introduction:**

Athletic Committee Chair: Keith Blomberg (New Lenox Community Park District)

Keith has been with the New Lenox Community Park District for 5 years and has been the Chair for the Athletic Committee for the past 2 years. He oversees all of the athletic, fitness and Field House programs.

Athletic Committee Co-Chair: Skyler Ramberger (Mokena Community Park District)

Skyler has been with the Mokena Community Park District for 1 year and has been within the recreation field for 4 years. Previously, Skyler worked for the Town of Munster Indiana within their Recreation Department.

**2. Attendance:**

- 1) Keith Blomberg – New Lenox Community Park District
- 2) Skyler Ramberger – Mokena Community Park District
- 3) Eric Sloyan – Palos Heights Parks and Recreation Department
- 4) Brad Burke – Oak Lawn Park District
- 5) Charles Sommerville – Alsip Park District
- 6) Beth Nagel – Frankfort Park District

**3. Topics of Discussion:**

**a. Athletic Meeting Format**

For the 2022/2023 SSPRPA season, we will meet via zoom. We will also plan to meet in person during the month of January at the IPRA Conference and one more time in the spring. We will continue to meet every 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month with an 11AM start time.

**b. Athletic Committee Topics of Discussion**

The committee reviewed different topics that we would like to see discussed at the upcoming committee meetings. These topics include: adult and youth athletic leagues, seasonal program offerings, staffing, budgeting, contracted programs, equipment vendors and much more.

**c. Review of Summer programs' successes, conflicts & changes**

Each member within the committee discussed their summer programs. Details are below:

Keith (New Lenox):

The New Lenox Summer soccer and T-Ball Leagues both went very well and had high enrollment. It was a pretty normal season for athletic classes and camps. Starting to see registration numbers have a downward trend for Adult Softball.

Skyler (Mokena):

Adult pickleball tournament series went extremely well.

Eric (Palos):

Contracted programs and youth baseball league both did very well in the summer.

Charles (Alsip):

Had success running a 3-tier youth soccer class that was ran in-house. Also started a new Youth/Teen volleyball club. The volleyball club is designed with an open format where the participants can discuss what they would like to do each day they attend.

Brad (Oak Lawn):

It was a pretty normal summer for Oak Lawn. They did have some great numbers for their Adult Softball League.

Beth (Frankfort):

The contractor, Soccer Shots, had some great success. There was some push from previous participants to do a year-round Men's Basketball League. After setting it up, the league did not have enough teams to run. The Fire Starters Soccer League is running well. There was a lot of discussion about a third-party contractor running a youth soccer league.

**d. SSPRPA Esports Co-op program**

The Athletic Committee will plan to run another SSPRPA Esports Co-op program. We will continue to go with the same format as previous years with the Rocket League game. The co-op program will run from mid-January until March. The Athletic Committee will continue to have meetings about this program and have updates as they come.

**e. Topic ideas for next meeting?**

For the October meeting, we will discuss the following topics:

- Athletic Equipment Vendors
- Review Fall Programs
- Winter/spring Program Outlook
- Youth Athletic Leagues

**4. Next Meeting: Monday, October 17, 2022 @ 11AM**