

Collin County
Myers Park & Event Center Advisory Board

Minutes

January 28, 2025

The Myers Park & Event Center Advisory Board met in regular session at the Landing, located at 7117 County Road 166, McKinney, TX 75071, on Tuesday, January 28, 2025, at 1:00 p.m.

Board members present: Rutledge Haggard, Marianne Wells, Phil Maternowski, and Srin Raghavan

Absent: Steve Wright.

Myers Park & Event Center staff present: Park Manager Judy Moody, and staff members Mark Page, Vanesa Rhodes, and Jennifer Rogers.

Item No. 1 Call to order

After establishing a quorum, Board Chair Rutledge Haggard called the Myers Park & Event Center Advisory Board Meeting to order at 1:02 p.m. Mr. Haggard welcomed the incoming new board member, Srin Raghavan.

Item No. 2 Review and Action to Approve October 16, 2024 meeting minutes

Board Member Marianne Wells motioned to approve the minutes from the October 16, 2024, Myers Park & Event Center Advisory Board Meeting. The motion was seconded by Board Member Phil Maternowski. The motion passed unanimously.

Item No. 3 Update on Farm Museum

After Farm Museum Coordinator Jennifer Rogers introduced herself to new board member Srin Raghavan she reviewed her monthly report with board members.

Ms. Rogers advised board members that she would continue to utilize Facebook to increase traffic and awareness of the museum's programs. Additionally, she stated that due to cost, she is no longer using an online webinar platform. She also informed board members that the Farm Museum volunteers were helping her to prepare for the upcoming rummage sale at the Farm Museum. Ms. Rogers formally thanked Collin County Public Information Officer Derrick Jackson for creating a press release regarding the rummage sale. Ms. Rogers notified board members that the Farm Museum volunteers would begin taking on a more active role with the summer programs as she will step back and focus on collection inventory & deaccession of FIC (found in collection) items. Lastly, Rogers informed board members, with the approval of the county's auditing department, she took the volunteers to an appreciation lunch at the Salt Grass Steak House.

Item No. 4 Update on recent and future events at Myers Park

Event Coordinator Mark Page formally recognized Myers Park & Event Center ground crew staff, Larry Love, Michael Calton, Ethan Hulme, Jesse De Leon, Christian Rivera, Jack Harris & Kyle Hudnell in appreciation for their hard work over the past three months. Mr. Page stated Vintage Market Days, Christmas Joy Park, and the Collin County Jr. Livestock Show were just some of the large events that took place and demanded their utmost attention. Board Chair Haggard suggested that the board do a formal thank you/recognition to staff at the next board meeting. Moving on, Page asked board members to refer to the monthly report he provided for additional updates. Additionally, Mr. Page advised board members of the following upcoming events: Collin County Master Gardeners Garden Show - March 15-16, 2025; Collin County Master Gardeners Spring Plant Sale - April 26-27, 2025; Vintage Market Days - May 9-11, 2025 as well as many other Boy Scout camping events.

Item No. 5 Update on Park Projects

Park Manager Judy Moody advised board members that the late Norman Gidney, former Myers Park & Event Center Advisory Board member, was honored at the recent Collin County Jr. Livestock show. She then turned her attention to updating board members of park projects and advised she was waiting to receive quotes from contractors regarding the work that will be completed with bond funds. Once the quotes are received, she will prioritize the start of projects. Additionally, Ms. Moody told board members the construction of the porch awning at the front of the Landing had been completed. She also advised there is a plaque at the show barn with a list of names of MYP board members and it has not been updated recently. Moody asked board members for their input. It was decided to order a larger plaque as well as name placards. Lastly, Ms. Moody informed board members that budgeting for FY 2026 would begin next week and would advise them when the budget is submitted.

Item No. 6 Possible Future Agenda items

Add the Election of board officers to the next meeting agenda.

Item No. 7 Adjourn

Board Chair Haggard adjourned the meeting at 1:41 p.m. The next Myers Park & Event Center Advisory Board Meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 29, 2025, at 1:00 p.m. in The Landing