Rochester Recreation & Arena Advisory Commission

November 18, 6pm Rochester Arena Conference Room

Present: Chris Bowlen, Kevin Barry, Bob Brown, Dave Anctil, Dick Clough, Joan Strogen, Dale Bickford, Nancy Carnignan, Sheila Colson, Lauren Krans

- 1. Accept October Minutes
 - Add Dick Clough to the October minutes.
 - Bob Brown motion to accept, Sheila Colson second.
- 2. Review Revenue and Expense Reports
 - Dale Bickford asked if Rec Revenue was on track to hit year end projections
 - Joan Strogen motion to accept, Sheila Colson second.
- 3. Ice Rate Review
 - Director Bowlen discussed Rochester Arena Ice rates-there has been no increase since 2014 and the facility has undergone major upgrades. He stated customers need to have advanced notice of upcoming rate changes in order to plan for their next season.
 - Director Bowlen proposed a Prime Time ice rate to \$275 and Non-Prime rate to \$190 to begin at the beginning of the 2020-2021 ice season.
 - The Advisory Commission unanimously supported the ice rates as presented.
- 4. Brewster Academy Request
 - Brewster Academy is requesting a refund of their scheduled ice time, as their program numbers were too low.
 - The Advisory Commission unanimously supported granting this refund as a one-time courtesy along with a hold back of an administrative fee.
- 5. Live Barn Discussion

Many rinks offer this technology so customers can watch games from home.

The Advisory Commission would like staff to continue to explore this offering.

6. Other

The Commission agreed that consistent attendance at meetings is a must for members.

Asst. Director Krans briefed the Commission on Gather's request to hold a mobile food pantry at the Rec the same day as Gerry's Food Pantry. The SHARE Fund had multiple concerns about this overlap. Commission supports the department declining Gather's request until SHARE Fund concerns are met. Asst. Director Krans briefed the Commission on challenges in dealing with student behavior during non school sanctioned activities (Teen Night, Open Gym). The Commission supports staff moving forward with discussions with the school department to start exploring solutions.

