

# Proposed Wahpeton Wellness & Recreation Center Mayor's Ad Hoc Committee Minutes

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## MEETING INFORMATION:

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Date: Monday, May 13th, 2024  
Time: 6:30 pm  
Location: Wahpeton City Hall

## ITEMS OF DISCUSSION:

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER: PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM MAY 6TH MEETING
  - a. *Motion by Dr. Flanigan 2<sup>nd</sup> by Roger J.*
3. MARKETING AND FUNDRAISING UPDATE
  - a. *Group was updated that there is an ongoing search for a funder to fund the hiring of a professional to guide the fundraising and educational portions of the effort as well as a professional to put together an operational model. Being the group has decided it's important to fundraise prior to the vote, the effort will require professional guidance. The group also wants to make sure factual, clear information is available to the public.*
4. BUDGET AND PROGRAMMING DETERMINATION
  - a. *Amanda put together a slide show presentation for the group which touched on the discussions from last week's meeting and examined what it would look like to include all programs that have been studied with the turf area being a bubble structure. There was discussion that a bubble is not as good as a fixed structure but would be adequate if that's what we can fit into our budget. The group agreed that no programming should be cut as the overall concept of the facility would suffer if it lost any of the programming. The group discussed and agreed that a fundraising goal of \$10 million should be set. A motion was proposed by Stacia H., for the group to go forward with a design that includes all*

## Committee Members Present (x):

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| <input type="checkbox"/>            | Zach Hatting<br>Wahpeton                   |          |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Amanda Fisher<br>Wahpeton                  |          |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | Michael Kaiser<br>Wahpeton School District |          |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Stacia Henningsen<br>Wahpeton              |          |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Dr. Rod Flanigan<br>NDSCS                  |          |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Roger Jensen<br>Wahpeton Parks             |          |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Brian Watson<br>Wahpeton Parks             |          |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Brad Edwardson<br>Wahpeton Parks           |          |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | Kelly McNary<br>Wahpeton                   |          |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Julie Rosenberg<br>Wahpeton                |          |
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Brett Lambrecht<br>Mayor of Wahpeton       |          |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Chris DeVries<br>City of Wahpeton          |          |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Dennis Miranowski<br>City of Wahpeton      | By Phone |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Darcie Huwe<br>City of Wahpeton            |          |
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*programming that has been studied, which is estimated to cost around \$30 million. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Brian Watson; Motion passes unanimously. There was discussion about keeping the design affordable and simple so we could fit all the programming within the budget. Next meeting will be scheduled after the architects have preliminary plans to share.*

5. ADJOURN

- a. *Motion by Brian W, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Stacia H. Meeting ended at 7:30 pm*