Skatepark Committee Meeting Minutes
Thursday, November 3
6:00—7:00 pm

South Portland Community Center – Upstairs Conference Room
21 Nelson Road, South Portland, ME 04106

IN ATTENDANCE:
Anthony Johnson
Cybil Kipp
Kirsten McWilliams(remote)
Jeff Woodbury
Jack Gundling
Lucas Brown
Tom Long
Darrell Rogers(remote)

AGENDA:
1. Approve previous meeting’s minutes
2. Construction RFP update
3. Fundraising goal update
4. community fundraising events & ideas
5. Turkey Trot – who’s attending, manning table, etc
6. Willow’s – Jeff or Cybil
7. Bissell Bro’s – Anthony
8. Teen Skate Nights – Lucas/Jeff
9. Appeal Letter – Kate?
10. plan next steps

NOTES:
1. Last meeting approved
2. Construction RFP update - Still hoping to go out to bid by end of the calendar year
3. Fundraising Goal Update - $437,000
4. Review community fundraising events & ideas
5. Turkey Trot - we want to set up the table. A bunch of us can volunteer. Anthony will email to let her know we would like to have a table with our materials, what time to arrive? Anthony will bring supplies for the Rec Center. Kirsten will swing by and pick up materials and table
6. Willow’s - Jeff spoke to Dave at Willow’s. Cybil talked to some young woman who was super excited. Dave said yes to the flyer, donation jar, there is a back room with a large screen and tables. Best day of the week is Thursday. We could have videos running as a test run to see who is really interested. Thursday, January 20th?
7. Bissell Brothers - Anthony reached out to Vanessa. They said yes to February. Do a skatepark themed beer. A kickflip cream ale. Thursday, February 17th
8. Elsmere - Cybil reached out. They will discuss if they will reinstate fundraising nights.
9. Sea Dog, Elsmere or Portland Pie, Thursday, March 24th
10. **Teen Night** - *Thursday, April 14th* show the documentary *Brothers*, pizza, skating in the parking lot

11. **Kate’s appeal letter** - will be ready to mail next week.

12. Anthony got a call from Gorham Rec Center. They have over 400,000 dollars raised. Our experience with Pillar, Arc, etc…. They are close to where we are. Gorham went with Pillar. Can we coordinate schedules to get some cost savings somehow? They want to be skating by July 4th. Split cost for Brad’s flights out. Can our crew stay in UMaine dorms?

13. Sari from Winterfest at Rotary arrived - *Friday night, January 28th, Saturday day, January 29th* - they would need to know our commitment by early December. We will definitely commit to being there as a table at least. We can brainstorm other events.

**Next Steps:**

Anthony - will reach out Nellie about turkey trot
Jeff - will start flyer and confirm January 20th with Willow’s
Cybil - will get back to Elsmere to ask about third Thursday in March or February
Cybil - will reach out to Sea Dog for February or March
Tom - will compile video list
Jack - will check his VCR
Kirsten - will ask Lucas to post turkey trot on Instagram

- Need to pick more popular skate videos, could throw it on social media, and ask for votes