

Sacajawea Center Team Meeting Minutes

Presented by Fred Waidely

December 10, 2014

Meeting came to order at 4:15 p.m. Present were Team Chairman Fred Waidely, Councilman Bockelman, Councilman Chinske and Sacajawea Center Director Lin Gray.

The team discussed the lack of exterior lighting for the Learning Center. There are two yard lights in the front area of the building however, one seems to burn out often. More lighting is also needed on the exterior south side and east walkway steps. There is a possibility that the existing lighting could be modified to provide for more coverage of the entire area by changing to different light fixtures.

The garden program planned for 2015 will include moving the kids garden in to the main garden area and to continue with the plot rental program, small producer plots and food bank plots.

The day camps program will be taking a hiatus next year but may be brought back in future seasons. It will be replaced with weekly Jr. Explorer programs of one hour in duration. Students will participate in programs to be recognized as Jr. Explorers and earn badges, patches, charms and pins.

Other programs planned for next season will include the Outdoor School Program three days a week. The Strong Boys/Girls Program in conjunction with the Mahoney House providing weekly lessons, Family Camps which will be more adult focused and geared towards whole families, Heritage Days in August with a possible concert as well as arts and crafts displays and programs.

The Road Scholar Group is scheduled to arrive in late August and will be doing onsite maintenance and programming etc. A family fun day is also being planned for the Fall.

Lin Gray reported that most of the goals set for accomplishment at the beginning of 2014 had been achieved. Major items of note were a redesign of the docent program, full day school programs, assessing the current mission of the center with a five year strategic plan targeted at programming and use, the development of a new fee schedule, improved written agreements with programming and support providers, and improved marketing of the Center.

The next meeting of the Sacajawea Team will be January 14, 2015.