



District Oversight Committee
Kenneth R. Bounds Boardroom
100 Dexter Avenue N
6:30-9:00 p.m.

District Oversight Committee Meeting Summary- June 9, 2015

Welcome- Greetings by Superintendent Jesús Aguirre and Councilmember Jean Godden

Introductions- All Committee members

Park District Frequently Asked Questions

Covered:

- The Park District boundaries are the same as the city of Seattle boundaries.
- No revenue from the Park District will be collected until 2016. 2015 is the gap or ramp up year in funding
- Gap year funding will be focused on hiring staff to support the Seattle Park District, start programs and establish performance measures.
- Seattle City Council is the charged with of governance Seattle Park District.
- The Inter-local agreement layouts out how Seattle Parks and Recreation will work with the funding provided through the park district, how we engage with the public and accountability and responsibilities are. It also outlines how the District Oversight Committee supports with Parks, Council and the Mayor in the administration of Park District funds.
- The Park District Oversight Committee is charged with helping Seattle Parks and Recreation ensure the Park District is administered equitably, transparently, engages the public and delivers the outputs outlined in the 6-year spending plan.

Accountability

Covered: Ethics 101 and PowerPoint presentation with Gary Keese, Public Meetings 101

Committee's charge and purpose

Covered: Inter-local agreement

Committee Logistics

- Staff recommendation: Take public comment at the beginning of session for a specified amount of time, option over spill and up one week before meeting. Filter all comment through staff to ensure all are captured and enter the discussion.
- Q: DOC Committee member emails accounts subject to PDR? Yes, so are anyone's who sign in on our sign in sheet. For transparency, please have all discussion as a part of the public forum.
- It was suggested a listserve be started for offline discussion. Susanne referred to state law public meeting act and recommended members air on the side of caution and for transparency and openness.
- It was suggested subcommittee that are open to the public be formed. These would not include public testimony.

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Committee Logistics Continued

- It was suggested that a Job description be drafted for committee members to clarify their function.
- It was suggested that Ground Rules be developed.
- It was suggested that side conversations that may inform a decision or be brought to the whole group.
- Meeting summaries are public record. Personal meeting notes are not open to public disclosure.

Decisions Made

1. Committee will open each meeting with 15 minutes of public comment. Two (2) minutes will be allowed per comment.
2. Committee will reserve authority to take public testimony through a public hearing, as needed.
3. Committee will adopt a set of ground rules to operate by.
4. Committee will adopt Robert's Rules of Order as their discussion facilitation and group decision-making guidelines.
5. Committee will adopt Job descriptions that clarify their function.

Questions

- Are the District Oversight Committee recommendations made to Seattle Parks and Recreation and the Mayor related decisions subject to public disclosure?
- What is the scope of the District Oversight Committee's charge? How does the District Oversight Committee work's intersect or overlap with other Seattle Parks and Recreation committees?
- What is the Citywide Recreation Scholarship Fund? How does it tie into the 6-year plan that was approved?
- Does the 6-Year spending plan include operating and capital funds?
- What is the spending to date on all of the initiatives? Will there be year-to-date reports on initiatives initiative spending at each meeting?

9:00pm Adjourn
