

## **AGENDA**

Sports Advisory Committee
Montgomery County Parks and Planning
2425 Reedie Drive, 3rd Floor
Wheaton, MD 20902
Thursday, October 16, 2025 - 6:00 p.m.

**Board Members:** Princess Clemente, Ben Corb, Tom Cove, Mary Kate Crawford, Jay Goldstein, Trish Heffelfinger, Tony Korson, David Schardt, Doug Schuessler, Tina Won Sherman, Christopher Wajda

Absent Board Members: Samantha Griffin, Rick James, Amy Lopez

Ex-Officio: Mark Comer, Heather Fine, Derrick Thompson, Steve Solomon, Bryan Walker, Carl Weber

Staff: Jason Fasteau

6:07 pm - Welcome (Tom Cove)

6:08 pm - Review and Approve Agenda (unanimous approval)

6:08 pm - Review and Approve September Minutes (unanimous approval)

6:08 pm - General Announcements

6:17 pm - Follow-Up - 10/7/25 Children's Bill of Rights in Sports Event (Jason Fasteau)

6:24 pm - Working Group Discussions

<u>Community Engagement</u> (Samantha, Princess, Amy, Rick)

Update on community engagement interviews — they are getting ready to finalize interview questions after having done some preliminary testing of questions. Full-scale interviews can get underway soon.

**ACTION:** Other committee members can be involved with conducting interviews, not just Community Engagement working group members.

National Youth Sport Survey 2025: Discussion of whether/how to participate this year.

**ACTION:** Committee endorses that the Community Engagement working group will email our stakeholders list to encourage participation. In the letter, reference Bill of Rights item #5 and pursue our connections with Bill of Rights signatories.

**ACTION:** Tom will follow up with key stakeholders to encourage participation.

**POSSIBLE FUTURE ACTION:** After survey is complete, host an event with Aspen Institute to help participants interpret final data (Mary Kate).

**ACTION:** Bryan will send schedule for MCPS Student Athlete Leadership Council so that Community Engagement can attend next meeting.

Advocacy (Ben, Jay, Tom, Tony, Steve (ex-officio)) (6:53 pm)

- Made connections with county council about awards nominations
- Discussion of upcoming changes to county council membership

Operations (Tina, Mary Kate, Christopher) (7:00 pm)

- Annual report (Tina): Handing off text now to Christopher/Princess for end-of-December posting online
- Officer nominations: Start process now and have elections in December. MOTION: Change the
  order of operations to vote for officers now instead of waiting for new members to join (Mary
  Kate, unanimous approval)
- **ACTION:** Jason will follow up about nominating committee members

Recognition (David, Trish, Princess, Steve (ex-officio)) (7:08 pm)

46 Unsung Hero nominations received so far. Committee confirms former SAC members can be considered for award.

Committee reviews 2025 Unsung Heroes award recipients video. Discussion followed.

**ACTION:** Jason will ask Rec staff about adding SAC logo at the beginning or end of the video.

**ACTION:** Mary Kate and Jason will have additional conversation about process for future content creation

Communications (Mary Kate, Christopher) (7:33 pm)

Presentation of "Play Your Part, MoCo" outreach campaign design research (Christopher)

**ACTION:** Working group will continue development of logo.

**ACTION:** Christopher will email Princess to help with logo development.

7:46 pm - New Business (Tom Cove)

David reported on receiving suggestion to create local directory of opportunities for special needs sports **ACTION:** David will come back to committee with proposal

What if we invite large county sports providers to committee for panel discussion (Tom). Discussion followed, including what would be goals for inviting them? And whether to also include smaller providers. Princess noted we could use community engagement interviews to build relationships and then extend invitations after interviews. Also noted that interviews don't have to be 1v1 – could conduct group interviews as a kind of panel discussion.

ACTION: Check for open meetings issues related to conducting interviews by Zoom (Jason).

8:07 pm - Adjourn (Doug Schuessler, Mary Kate seconded, unanimous consent)