



**TUSCALOOSA COUNTY PARK & RECREATION AUTHORITY**  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**  
**Mary Ann Phelps Activity Center**

Tuesday, April 1, 2025, 4:00 pm

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Chair Elizabeth Winter (*absent*), Brion Hardin (*absent*), Dr. Craig Fairburn, Dr. Tony Johnson, Curtis Travis (*absent*), Gary Falls, Hunter Taylor, and Peggy Hogue

**PARA STAFF PRESENT:** Chief Executive Officer Brian Davis, Adrian Cleckler, Jay Logan, Mark Harrison, and Mike Crady

**PROCEEDINGS**

- Mr. Gary Falls called the meeting to order.
- March 2025, approval of minutes.  
*\*Motioned by Mrs. Peggy Hogue and seconded by Dr. Tony Johnson, the Board unanimously approved the March Minutes.*

**VISITORS/GUESTS – N/A**

**REPORTS/DISCUSSIONS**

Chief Executive Officer

*Reported by Brian Davis*

- ARPA State Basketball Tournament  
PARA successfully hosted the ARPA State Basketball Tournament from March 21 to 23, bringing 69 teams from across Alabama to Tuscaloosa. A total of 98 games were played, with over 2,000 fans cheering for their community teams. PARA's Tuscaloosa 10U, 12U, and 14U teams performed exceptionally well, advancing to the quarterfinals and semifinals.
- PARA Community Health Expo  
PARA held its second annual PARA Community Health Expo on Saturday, March 22, 2025, at the Buddy Powell Pavilion, drawing a great turnout and fostering positive community engagement. There were over 25 vendors, two food trucks, family-friendly activities & inflatables, and live fitness classes.
- Hurricane Creek Clean Up  
On Friday, March 21, Adrian Cleckler, with assistance from the PARA Rangers, began removing graffiti from Hurricane Creek Park using Elephant Snot, an industrial-strength cleaner containing strong biodegradable solvents and surfactants. This potent formula can cause skin burns upon contact. Significant progress has been made, but a follow-up cleanup session is scheduled for April 25 to address any remaining layers of paint that have been exposed.
- Girls' Flag Football Clinics  
In partnership with Shelton State, PARA will host three skills and drills clinics across the county from March to June in preparation for our Fall All-Girls Flag League. Clinic dates are March 30, April 27, and June 5.
- Tuscaloosa Gauntlet  
The fourth annual Tuscaloosa Gauntlet is scheduled for Saturday, April 5, 2025, in Tuscaloosa, Alabama. This approximately 5-mile military-inspired obstacle course race features over 20 obstacles, including a Marine regulation obstacle course. Participants can choose from competitive, open, and team heats, with a kids' race also available. Proceeds from the event will benefit the Alabama Marines Foundation.

- Will May Dog Park Dog Wash Station

PARA will hold a soft opening and ribbon-cutting ceremony for the new dog wash station at Will May Dog Park on National Pet Day, April 11, 2025, at 11:30 AM.

#### Financial Report

*Reported by Mike Crady*

- February was a down month for PARA, resulting in a net loss of \$128,045.67, which brought the year-to-date total to \$166,789.62. Cash balances remain strong, with \$3.54M in unrestricted funds and positive year-over-year growth in revenue from rentals, programming, aquatics, and memberships. Revenues stand at \$6.4 million (40% of the budget), and expenses at \$6.2 million (39% of the budget), with payroll increases resulting from COLA and pension adjustments. The \$445K SmartBank loan for new fitness equipment was received, with the final payment due in April. Summer is typically a profitable period, and we anticipate growth in summer day camps. Budget planning will begin in April, with funding requests due June 1.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS – N/A

#### OLD BUSINESS

- Bobby Miller Activity Center Flooring Bid

PARA received two bids for the Bobby Miller Activity Center Flooring: Scout Flooring for \$87,500.00 (1-year warranty) and Covington Flooring Company for \$89,234.00 (25-year warranty). Adrian Cleckler, PARA COO, recommends that Covington Flooring Company be awarded the bid due to its 25-year warranty.

*\*On a motion by Dr. Tony Johnson, seconded by Mr. Hunter Taylor, the PARA Board of Directors unanimously approved and awarded Covington Flooring Company the Bobby Miller Activity Center Flooring bid.*

#### NEW BUSINESS

- Ol' Colony Golf Complex #2 Green Bid

PARA received one bid for the Ol' Colony Golf Complex #2 Green Bid: Sur-Line Turf, Inc. for \$185,000.00.

*\*On a motion by Dr. Tony Johnson, seconded by Mr. Hunter Taylor, the PARA Board of Directors unanimously approved and awarded Sur-Line Turf, Inc. the Ol' Colony Golf Complex #2 Green bid.*

*At 4:37 p.m., on a motion by Mr. Hunter Taylor, seconded by Dr. Craig Fairburn, the meeting was adjourned.*

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Gary Falls, Board Vice Chair

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Brian Davis, Chief Executive Officer