



**Minutes of Tour to Some DRD Facilities  
April 11, 2014**

The Board of Directors of the Desert Recreation Foundation met at noon at The First Tee Clubhouse located at 74-945 Sheryl Avenue, Palm Desert, California to tour some of the DRD facilities.

**Board of Directors in Attendance:**

Brandt Kuhn, President	Ernesto C. Rosales, Director
Joshua Bonner, Vice President	John Henry Garcia, Director
Bill Appel, Treasure	

**Board of Directors Absent:**

Laura McGalliard, Director  
Jason Schneider, Director

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**Desert Recreation District Staff and Other:**

Glenn Miller, Golf Course, Parks & Grounds Maintenance Director  
Christopher Allen, Tay Fried, Chris Keener, Bill Madonna, and Roman Whittaker

**1. Updates and General Information:**

This was not a formal meeting, just a free flowing conversation while they toured the facilities. The DRD is the largest recreation district in California with eighteen hundred square miles, starting at Rancho Mirage and extending all the way to the Salton Sea. The district manages different things from large properties, to pools, tennis courts, baseball fields, etc. Because the district is so large they were only able to drive by some of the facilities and only able to stop at three.

1. Portola Community Center - It is a multipurpose facility used as a senior center, it is also used for chips on patrol, CPR training for the district employees and some activities.

Mr. Miller mentioned he is meeting with RAP representatives on April 14 if any of the board members would like to go with him. Mr. Kuhn is available.

2. Palm Desert Community Center – They visited the center. It is a full function facility owned by the city of Palm Desert; the district maintains it and runs the activities the City has.

Mr. Madonna mentioned about the Fundraiser at Bighorn on April 30, the cost is only \$375.00, he hopes they all can attend since the price has gone down.

Mr. Apple told them they are going to have a "Thank You" wall where names of donors will be on a plaque accordingly with the amounts donated. People can add up their donations from one year to another and become a bigger donor. Also they are going to have plaques on the golf course for smaller donations.

3. 1,000 Palms Community Center – It is owned by the County, maintained by the district, located between a Library and a School. The district also maintains Ramon Road divider.
4. Indio Hills – There are two hundred acres in North Indio donated by Granite over 40 years ago.
5. Johnson Park - The house coalition built a low income community around it. The home owners help patrol the area and have pride of ownership.
6. Mecca Community Center – It was built in 1929, the field has too much salt, it is very hard to maintain so they are replacing the fields with special grass being used in areas with high salt content.
7. North Shore – The Clinton Foundation felt they needed a Kaboon Park unfortunately is not used very much.
8. Salton Sea – They visited the center, it is in good condition and used for after school programs. They got to meet some of the staff.
9. Coral Mountain – The district has a 25 year lease on it with an option to renew for another 25.
10. Pawley Pool – Is used during summer for swimming only.
11. Administration Office – They had a tour of the facility and visited with Mr. Kalman for a short time.
12. Indio Community Center – Is in the middle of renovations, on the outside it is being painted with bright colors.

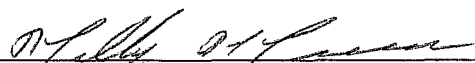
**2. Next Meeting**

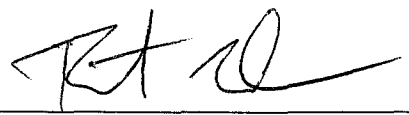
Agenda items for meeting on June 3, 2014

**3. Adjournment:**

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

  
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Nelly Marsee, Board Clerk

  
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Brandt, Kuhn, President of the Board