



Visioneering Wichita
Regional Comprehensive Recreation Plan
Preliminary Strategic Alliance Meeting
July 12, 2007
Meeting Notes

Attendees: Jan Keathley, Eldon Miller, Scott Wadle, Larry Ross, Sommer Miller, John Rogers, Karen Walker, Tamie Snow, Daniel Connolly, Judy Morris, Harland Priddle, Robert Mendoza, Janet Miller, Jessica Tarbell, Whitney Vliet Ward, Jamee Ross

Leadership Team: Jennifer Rose, Sommer Miller, Robert Mendoza, Scott Wadle, Glen Dey, Karen Walker, Janet Miller, Andy Solter, Ron Holt, Whitney Vliet Ward, Irene Hart, Allison Hamm, Larry Ross, Timothy Johnson and Elizabeth Bishop

Next Regional Comprehensive Recreation Plan Strategic Alliance Meeting: To be announced.

Minutes from the March 1, 2007 Regional Comprehensive Recreation Plan Preliminary Strategic Alliance meeting were accepted and approved.

I. Purposes of the Meeting

1. Updates

- Review website summary document
 - Grant possibilities update
2. Information-Sharing Partnership Possibilities Update: Derby, Wichita and Sedgwick County
- Provide information on how other municipalities can participate

II. Updates

At previous meetings, participants discussed the development of an interactive website that would provide: 1) a searchable, map-based database of regional recreation information opportunities accessible by the general public; and 2) information on present recreation amenities and future recreation plans for regional municipalities and interested citizens. In addition, a sub-group has been working to develop funding proposals to help support the development of the website.

In order to provide a conceptual overview of the website project to prospective funders as well as regional municipalities partners, the leadership team developed a summary document for the website project. The summary document was presented to and reviewed by participants at the preliminary strategic alliance meeting.

In addition, Suzie Ahlstrand announced recent approval of a \$15,000 Knight Community Foundation grant to help begin the development the website.

III. Information-Sharing Partnership Possibilities Update: Derby, Wichita and Sedgwick County

Leadership Team Representatives Scott Wadle and Robert Mendoza made a presentation illustrating a recent parks and recreational amenities information-sharing partnership between Derby, Wichita and Sedgwick County. The presentation included information on: 1) the needs and benefits of information sharing among regional municipalities; 2) current parks and recreational amenities web resources provided independently; 3) how parks and recreation resources information can be shared using GIS data; and 4) how a centralized, searchable, map-based database of regional parks and recreation resources can be accomplished and accessed via a centralized website.

III. Next Steps

Next steps will be to make the information-sharing partnership presentation and talk to other municipalities in the region and REAP in order to increase information-sharing partnerships. These efforts will help to: 1) further develop the centralized, searchable, map-based information database for a future website; and 2) advance the launch of the Alliance in the community at large.

No date was set for the next meeting of the Regional Comprehensive Recreation Planning group.