

Wellington Recreation Commission
Board Meeting Agenda
Tuesday, May 19th, 2026
7:00 a.m.
Harry L. Woods Recreation Center

1.0 Call To Order

2.0 Roll Call

3.0 Minutes - April

4.0 Checks/Expenditures - April

5.0 Board Member Report

6.0 Items of Business

6.1 Activity Center Updates

6.2 Wellington Community Challenge Recap

6.3 Outdoor Maintenance Agreement Update

6.4 Outdoor Pickleball Courts

6.5 2026 Pool Season

6.6 Memorial Day Closures

7.0 Program Review

7.1 Sports / Youth Recreation

7.1.1 Connor

7.2 Aquatics / Outdoor Maintenance

7.2.1 Cody

8.0 Adjournment

Next scheduled board meeting Tuesday, June 23rd, 2026

April 2026 WRC Board Meeting Notes

April 28th, 2026



Call to Order / Roll Call – The meeting was called to order by WRC Board Secretary, Betty Zeka, at 7:05 am with the following members and staff present: John Brand, Tami McCue by teleconference, Erma Ratliff, Connor Pilant and Cody White. WRC President, Hankie Holefelder, joined the meeting at 7:16 am.

Minutes / Income and Expenditures – John moved to approve minutes and expenditures as presented, seconded by Erma, all said aye.

Board Member Report – Erma requested the gym open earlier due to the start time of classes. Class start times will be discussed going forward.

Items of Business – Work has begun at the activity center. Removal of the ceiling grid is halfway done and will be completed by the end of the week. A rep from the flooring company came through to run a moisture test on the floor to see if a vapor barrier would be necessary before a new floor is installed. It was determined that a vapor barrier would not be necessary. There was also a question of whether the special floor glue would stick to the smooth surface or if the entire concrete floor needed to be sanded before installing the new floor. They will be sending a glue sample to 4-State Maintenance, and they will come down and run the test on the floor. Jeff Brungardt came out to look at the activity center about installing new lighting in three parts of the building. An estimate will be made available before the May meeting.

The final event for the 2026 Community Challenge, a 5K run/walk, will be held this Saturday morning. The Wellington High School team is leading the Wellington Methodist Church by two points. IF each team has the minimum (5) participate in the 5K, the Wellington High School team will be the 2026 Wellington Community Cup winner.

A meeting was recently held with USD 353 representatives Susan Topping and Chad Schuetz regarding a new program called Crusader Transition Academy that would be for 18–21-year-olds. This would be a new program for the 2026-2027 school year and has not yet been approved by USD 353. They are requesting to use the activity center as a home base for this program. Students would meet at this location before going out into the community for job/work related purposes.

A discussion was held regarding the upcoming 2026-2027 budget year. One area of concern is the outdoor maintenance department and the lack of agreements in place of numerous facilities that are utilized by the WRC, USD 353, and other organizations. Meetings will be set up with city and school officials to discuss the need for agreements.

Two 2025-2026 fiscal year audit engagement letters were presented. One from Cooper and Co. Accounting for \$8,400 and one from BFR CPA, LLC., for \$7,200. Erma moved to accept the audit proposal from BFR CPA, seconded by John, all said aye.

A recent issue was found with the ADA accessible elevator. The WRC is not currently covered under a maintenance agreement with Schindler Elevator. A contract was sent for the WRC to enter directly into an agreement with Schindler Elevator in the amount of \$2,769.96. This agreement is good for one year and would be renewed on April 1st of every year. Betty moved to approve the agreement, seconded by Erma, all said aye.

Several donations for pool passes, fitness memberships and programs have been given out in the past month. This time of year, schools are requesting awards to give to their 5th grade students and student of the year award winners, as well as prizes for the special events that are held at each school.

Program Review – Connor – Budget sheets for the youth track and little kickers programs were passed around for the board to look at. The track meet program numbers were down compared to last year but was an overall success. The youth soccer season is coming to an end with this coming Saturday being the last day for games. Overall, it's been a successful season, and the program saw more participants this year compared to last year. Baseball and softball practices have started with games beginning the second and third weeks of May. The regular seasons for each will end the third week of June and the league tournaments will be held the last week of June. Coach pitch rosters have been put together. There are four boys teams and two girls teams. Games will start in June. Blastball and T-ball signups ended last Friday. Teams will be formed and games will start for both of those leagues in June.

-Cody -18 kids will be taking the lifeguard certification training in Ark City, with five going May 8-10 and 13 going May 15-17.

The Wellington Recreation Foundation recently met to discuss applications for the Kenneth L. Everhart memorial scholarship. Nine applications were received and four were awarded scholarships. Those recipients are: Kylan Gregory, Trevan Hernandez, Addy Schnelle and Mikayla Ybarra. These students will be recognized at the WHS class night and will officially receive their scholarships at a foundation luncheon on July 21st, 2026.

Due to Memorial Day falling on the day before the regular May board meeting, Betty moved to have the May board meeting moved up one week earlier to Tuesday, May 19th, seconded by Erma, all said aye. The meeting will be held at the regular meeting time of 7:00 am.

At 7:55 am Erma moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Betty, all said aye.

Respectfully submitted by Cody White