

Diamond Field Fund Committee

Introduction

The Diamond Field Fund Committee is created as an advisory committee to the Sports Commission.

Mission

The Diamond Field Fund Committee will introduce and develop diamond field fund projects to be approved by the Sports Commission and sent to DPR for vetting/review. The Committee may also be asked to review project ideas that have been presented to the Sports Commission from outside the group.

Background

The Diamond Field Fund process, County Board approved in March of 2014, lays out a process whereby the Sports Commission organizes diamond field fund proposals from contributing groups and recommends projects. To date, only one project has been completed. In order to facilitate new proposals, this committee is created to focus on projects that can be submitted to the Sports Commission for consideration.

Membership

Membership will be made up of representatives from diamond field organizations/groups partnering with Arlington County. This can also include representatives from affected DPR run programs. No organization will have more than a single representative. Organizations may put forward their own representative for membership. There is no requirement that an organization have a representative on the Diamond Field Fund Committee. Members do not need to be on the Sports Commission. It is recommended organizations review their selected representation annually to ensure new ideas/proposals and continued progress.

Chair

The Diamond Field Fund Committee will be led by a Sports Commission member- selected by the Sports Commission Chair.

Minutes & Meetings

Meeting dates will be posted publicly on the Sports Commission website at least three days prior to the meeting in question. Meetings are open to the public. Minutes will be taken and posted on the commission website.

Committee Goal

The committee will work towards delivering consensus proposals to the Sports Commission. Individual committee members will recognize that not every proposal will affect their organization or preferred field. Committee members will agree to work towards identifying enhancement/improvement projects across locations, sports, and organizations- and to work in a collaborative manner. In the event a consensus project cannot be agreed upon, the Chair may decide to move forward (with the support of the majority), however, objections must be noted to the Sports Commission.

Field Fund

DPR will provide the Diamond Field Fund Committee basic information regarding the finances of the Diamond Field Fund- including amount available and previous project costs. DPR will also provide the committee an updated price/amenity list annually.

Timeline

The Diamond Field Fund Committee will submit projects for consideration to the Sports Commission by October of each year.

The Chair of the Sports Commission will submit final commission recommendations to the DPR Director for consideration in November or December of each year. DPR will review these requests and submit an independent recommendation to the County Board for annual approval early in the next calendar year.

DPR staff will oversee any approved projects and use County contracts as required to perform work. All approved projects will be completed within the calendar year after County Board approval.