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# Memo

To: Village Board

From: Chris Clark, Director of Parks, Recreation, & Forestry

Re: Reciprocity Agreement with Bellevue for Dance Program

Date: November 17, 2020

# **Background Information:**

Beginning this past year the Village of Allouez has been collaborating with the Village of Bellevue for Youth Dance classes. This collaboration has included utilizing the same instructors, as well as, working together on developing lesson plans, rehearsal/recital planning, and class structure.

Moving forward, staff from both municipalities would like to grow this collaboration into a true partnership by:

- Sharing an instructor
  - Recreational youth dance instructor numbers are limited. Utilizing one instructor for both communities allows the instructor to maximize their time and guarantee classes will be held.
  - Allows for more time and day options for interested participants and maximizing class numbers.
  - Allouez will run classes on Thursday nights
  - Bellevue will run classes on Monday nights
- Sharing of a Rehearsal/Recital location
  - Using the Village of Allouez and Webster School agreement the combined youth dance rehearsal and recital will be held at Webster Elementary School
- Sharing of residency rates between Allouez and Bellevue residents
  - Requesting a waiver of non-resident rates for all Bellevue residents registering for Allouez youth dance programs
    - The Village of Bellevue has approved the same non-residents fee waiver for Allouez residents registering for Bellevue Dance classes
  - For reference
    - Proposed 2021 rates:
      - 3-6 year old class (\$100 residents/ \$125 non-residents)
      - 7-12 year old class (\$105 residents/ \$130 non-residents)

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#### 2019 Numbers

- 18 total Participants 15 Residents and 3 Non-residents
- Revenues: \$1,746
  - 3-4 year old classes (\$89 residents/ \$100 non-residents)
  - o 5-6 year old classes (\$95 residents/ \$109 non-residents)
  - o 7-12 year old classes (\$100 residents/ \$114 non-residents)
- Expenses: \$1,508

## **Previous Information/Action:**

The Allouez Parks, Recreation, and Forestry Committee approved the agreement and waiver of non-resident fees for Bellevue residents for participation in the Allouez Dance Program at the October 27<sup>th</sup>, 2020 meeting.

## Budget Item/Funding:

The Recreation Department anticipates that revenues will remain as budgeted with a decrease in expenses and allow for Allouez residents to participate in Bellevue dance at a resident rate.

## **Staff Recommendation:**

Staff recommends a reciprocity agreement and waiver of non-resident fees for Bellevue residents to participate in the Allouez Dance Program. Staff believes this agreement will provide additional recreation options to village residents at a cost savings to them.

# **Attachments:**

None