

Director Report: August 23, 2021, for 4:00 pm Advisory Board meeting on August 26, 2021

Stephanie Payne

- Preparing to host our annual Youth Basketball season. Depending on continuation of pandemic and feelings of Wrangell, may or may not participate in the All Stars portion (competition between Wrangell Parks and Rec where we each travel to our islands, this happens in mid to late November).
- Municipal elections will take place in our Community Gym on Oct 4th for set up and Oct 5th for Election Day. This helps to spread out a highly congested event.
- Preparing our current gym schedule for decreased usage once school resumes on 8/31/2021.
 We will maintain all that we can to encourage usage during fall and winter months.
- Pickleball has picked up in popularity! Julie has done a great job getting everything going for this, and more!
- Parks and Rec hosted the first Community Blood Drive with the AK Blood Bank!! Thank you to Julie Anderson for coordinating this event with PMC and AK Blood Bank to make it the success that it was!
- Have been receiving continued conversations with patrons about their wants and desires doing our best to accommodate as these come in.
- I am back at work and working with staff to catch up with repairs and happenings around the facility and preparing for our upcoming seasons, programs, and events.
- Electrical engineers are preparing for our "Electrical Fix" and are working with Scott and School to minimize any impacts/shut-downs of pool during the repairs.
- Our maintenance technician has left our employment in July. His replacement has been chosen and will be joining our crew in mid-October. We are doing all that we can to take care of things ourselves or outsource. Patience is appreciated with any delays in facility repairs.
- Please see Scott Burt, Aquatic Supervisor, report for current Aquatic happenings.
- Both Scott and Julie have brought us through some great Summer schedules, offering the community a plethora of opportunities to enjoy our facility. And Theresa Craig has been refining our Behind-the-Scene processes to make it all move smoothly. Their accomplishments should be acknowledged.

HUGE thank you to our staff for all that they have done (in my absence and presence) to further all that we can offer to our community. They have all worked very hard to provide all that we can – and it shows!! I cannot thank them enough and feel our community is very fortunate to have each and every one of our staff. There have been some pitfalls that they have all fought very hard to not allow any impact on community.