



HARRISBURG TOWNSHIP PARK DISTRICT
COMMUNITY / AFFILIATE ASSOCIATION / INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT POLICY

The Harrisburg Township Park District recognizes that certain organizations exist within the community whose purposes are to serve and enhance recreational opportunities for a specific purpose and group. These organizations provide for their own leadership and organizational and operational structure. Public recreational facilities and programs create a mutually beneficial environment in which to provide quality recreation for all the individuals served by the parties, as well as the general public.

I. DEFINITIONS

The following words shall have the following meanings when used in this Policy.

“District” means HARRISBURG TOWNSHIP PARK DISTRICT.

“Board” means the Board of Commissioners of the District.

“Policy” means this Community / Affiliate Association / Intergovernmental Agreement Policy.

II. PURPOSE

The District recognizes that at times it is in the best interest of the community that the District work with outside organizations in coordinating, integrating, and consolidating the planning and provision of recreational facilities and programs when basic functions are compatible and public benefit may be derived. Through working relationships with outside organizations and joint efforts, each party can contribute to greater public service without surrendering their separate identities or any of their individual responsibilities. It is also in the best interest of the Harrisburg community to cooperate in the usage of the parks and facilities operated by the District or other Governmental Agencies. Pursuant to the Intergovernmental Cooperation Act, the District has the authority to associate and cooperate with governmental agencies within the community. When this occurs, an Intergovernmental Agreement between the two agencies will be drafted and approved by both governing Boards.

III. POLICY / PROCEDURES

The District is willing to establish a working relationship and cooperative agreement with Governmental Agencies, Community Groups, Affiliate Associations, and Sponsored Groups using the following means:

- Intergovernmental Agreements
- Cooperative Agreements with parent-run youth programs
- Affiliate Association Agreements
- Program Sponsorship

“Affiliate Association” shall mean any group or organization meeting the following qualifications:

- The group or organization shall have its own volunteer board with a set of bylaws adopted to guide their board in policy making decisions.
- The group or organization and its bylaws must be compatible with District philosophy.
- The group or organization shall conduct background checks on board members, coaches, managers, and any other persons, volunteers, or hired workers who provide regular service to the organization and/or have repetitive access to or contact with players or teams.
- The group or organization shall appoint a group representative to serve as the liaison between the group or organization and the District for purpose of scheduling, planning, and dealing with problems and issues that may arise. The group representative shall attend District Board meetings as needed.
- The group or organization shall require signed and dated waiver of liability, release to be completed by all participants (in the case of minors, by their parent or legal guardian) carrying language as specified by the District.

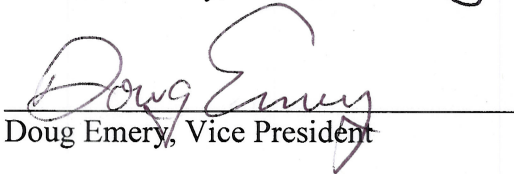
IV. AMENDMENTS

This Policy may be amended by the District at any time. If the Policy is amended, the District shall file a written copy of the Policy, as amended, with the Board and shall also advise all District employees of the existence of the amended Policy.

V. EFFECTIVE DATE

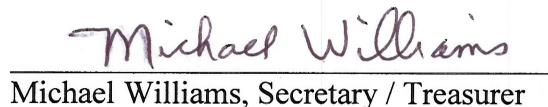
This Policy becomes effective NOVEMBER 22, 2019.


Richard Rumsey, President


Doug Emery, Vice President

ATTEST:

11/22/19
Date Signed


Michael Williams, Secretary / Treasurer