DECATUR PARK DISTRICT

MINUTES OF STUDY SESSION

TUESDAY, AUGUST 19, 2025

The Board conducted a study session on Tuesday, August 19, 2025 at 4:00 p.m. at the Scovill Park West Activity Center. Personally present were President Dr. Kristin White, Commissioner Chris Harrison, Commissioner Shelith Hansbro, Commissioner Stacey Young and Commissioner Bob Brilley.

Also present were Clay Gerhard, Laura Cooper, Jamie Gower and Aly Delatte. President Dr. White called the study session to order.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States was recited.

President Dr. White opened the meeting to members of the public for comment, however no one from the public was present.

Clay began with a timeline when the Seniors moved in 2018 from the Johns Hill Center to the Scovill Park West Activity Center and continued through actions that have led up to the 2025 Schematic Design proposal of the new Senior Center.

Next, Jamie gave an overview on current recreational offerings and current services offered.

Clay then described the current space and the reason to expand. Jamie followed with what recreational services would look like if given the opportunity to expand.

At that point Clay described how the goal of expanding recreational programming and service delivery would be achieved.

Laura then gave an overview of the new Senior Center funding sources and estimated budget draft. In addition, Aly gave other funding sources and donations that could play into the budget discussions.

After a lengthy discussion, Clay concluded with the current status and next steps moving forward.

There was no action taken at this meeting.

Motion to adjourn the Study Session was made by Stacey Young; seconded by Chris Harrison; and unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Melanie Moore