

Memo

To: Board of Commissioners

From: Doug Coutts, Director

Date: 9/14/2018

Re: South Whidbey Parks and Aquatics Foundation-Discussion

I met with representatives from the Board of Directors for the Foundation on Monday September 10, and discussed the state of the Foundation.

The Foundation is in serious jeopardy of disbanding. My thoughts are that without a change and a new influx of support the Foundation will cease to exist. I discussed options with the Foundation board members and suggested expanding the base of the Foundation to widen the focus to a true Parks and Recreation Foundation, instead of the current view of focusing on a community pool and doing other things as requested.

I additionally suggested modifying the Foundation bylaws and having SWPRD Board members as part of the board of directors as well as (if possible/legal) having District staff perform the administrative duties of the Foundation. I have reached out to Pacifica and MRSC for legal opinions on these questions and any unseen problems that might occur from the pairing.

More information at the meeting.