

**News Release** 

Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District

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## THPRD Announces Free Child Care for all Board Meetings Beginning in 2019

**January 7, 2019**: Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District is proud to announce it will offer free child care to make it easier for parents and guardians to attend district board meetings and participate in civic discussions.

"THPRD is committed to Access for All," said Doug Menke, general manager. "Our Board of Directors has encouraged staff to look at creative ways to make it easier for people to come out and share their views at board meetings. At their direction, we are piloting free childcare for board meetings in 2019."

The THPRD Board meets the second Tuesday of the month at the Dryland Conference Room on the HMT Complex. Free childcare will be available at the Athletic Center (50 NW 158<sup>th</sup> Ave). To reserve a spot, please contact Dayna Dixon at (503) 619-3861 or email at <u>ddixon@thprd.org</u>, or call the center front desk at (503) 629-6330.

The January board meeting will be on Tuesday, January 8, in the Dryland Meeting Room at the HMT Recreation Complex (15707 SW Walker Road, Beaverton). A work session will be held beginning at 5 pm (open to the public), followed by a 6 pm executive session (closed to the public per state law). The regular board meeting will begin at 6:30 pm. Topics to be discussed at the meeting include state legislative priorities, the Metro Natural Areas Bond Measure, and an assessment of the district's scholarship program.

## About THPRD

Formed in 1955, THPRD is the largest special park district in Oregon, spanning 50 square miles and serving about 250,000 residents in the greater Beaverton area. The district provides year-round recreational opportunities for people of all ages and abilities.

Offerings include thousands of widely diverse classes, 95 park sites with active recreational amenities, about 70 miles of trails, eight swim centers, six recreation centers, and 1,500 acres of natural areas.

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