

CITY OF RAPID CITY
TRAVEL REQUEST

LF021407-13

Person requesting travel Doug Kowalski Department 601 / 612

I hereby request permission to travel for the following purpose: (Give specific nature of business and interest of the City to justify cost involved.)

2007 Midwest Regional Conference

List all other City employees, if any, making the trip for the same purpose: Kristy Hinz, Jeff Richardt, Erin Gordon, Len Van Deusen

Place of meeting or destination: Sioux Falls SD

Date of meeting April 15

Date trip to begin April 15 Date trip will end April 18

Method of transportation requested city vehicle

Estimated transportation cost 600 gallons / \$2.00 \$ 120

Meals 3 days 400

Lodging 3 days 960

Other costs - description registration \$200/each 800 1000

Total estimated cost of trip \$ 1840 2480

Signed [Signature] 2-5-07 Date [Signature] Date 2/6/07
(person requesting travel) (Department Head)

When the cost of the trip will exceed \$500, per employee, this section must be signed.

In accordance with the provisions of Rapid City ordinances and travel regulations, consent is hereby given for travel as requested in the foregoing application. Maximum cost of trip authorized is \$ _____

Approved: _____ Date _____
Mayor

When the cost of the trip will exceed \$1,500, per event, Council approval is required.

Approved by Common Council on _____ (Date)

White copy - Mayor

Yellow copy - Finance

Gold copy - Department copy

2007 Midwest Regional Conference April 15–17, 2007



Conference Information

Early registration deadline for the conference and hotel rooms is Saturday, March 17, 2007.

Conference registration fee is \$200 before March 17. Fee is \$275 after March 17.

Conference dates are April 15–17, 2007

April 15: Golf Tournament and night social

April 16 and 17: Education sessions, tours, and night socials

Location:

Sheraton Hotel and Sioux Falls Convention Center
1211 North West Avenue
Sioux Falls, South Dakota 57104
Sheraton phone: 605-331-0100
Book room before March 17, 2007.
Room rate is \$79 single and \$84 double. Go to www.starwoodmeeting.com/Book/ParksRec

For conference information, contact

Barb Hermanson,
Recreation Manager,
Sioux Falls Parks and Recreation
100 East Sixth Street
Sioux Falls, SD 57104
phone: 605-367-8222
email: bhermanson@siouxfalls.org

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A sneak peek at speakers

"Parks and Recreation... Priceless" will feature a broad spectrum of speakers who will give conference attendees a rich wealth of information. Topics will range from professional development to healthy lifestyles, with a bunch of fun in between. Here is just a sample of the treasures that await:

* V.J. Smith, motivational speaker

"The Richest Man in Town"

This talk is based on the life of "Marty," a wonderful man who ran a cash register at Wal-Mart. He was considered rich because he was loved and respected, but most of all, he was content with every aspect of his life—no regrets. Marty's simple philosophies show what happens when you take the time to be kind and compassionate. All that you give, you get back, and more. Audience members will go on an emotional roller coaster ride, guaranteed.

* Steven J. Kleinman, J.D.,

General Counsel, Park District Risk Management Agency in Illinois

"Balancing Legal Rights vs. Balancing Your Checkbook—Know the Law!"

Both recreational professionals and the families they serve often misperceive their respective rights and legal obligations under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Common misperceptions include never being able to suspend, terminate, or deny participation, and that any suggested accommodation is a "reasonable" accommodation. Recreation professionals need to better understand what the ADA does not require or protect, and how to effectively communicate concerns and expectations in a manner which protects the reputation of the agency, while minimizing potential liability exposure.

* **Scot Hunsaker**, president of Councilman–Hunsaker, a St. Louis firm specializing in aquatics design and consulting.

"Extreme Makeover Pool Addition"

Many operators are facing the challenge of continuing to provide aquatic programming with an aging aquatic center. This session will outline the steps in evaluating the repair, renovation, or replacement options of your existing swimming pool.

More speaker/topic information will be coming your way!
Your presence will be priceless, so make plans to attend now!



Priceless photos contest: Send us your most "priceless" photos of parks and recreation at their finest. Entries must be emailed to sgarry@siouxfalls.org by March 16 and be in JPEG, TIFF, or PDF format.

