

# IPRA 2021 VIRTUAL CONFERENCE

## Tuesday, March 30

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### 8:00-8:10 AM

An email will be sent to all pre-registered delegates with Zoom log in information 48 hours before the event.

### 8:15-8:25 AM

**Tip-Off Guest:** Julie Boland, Vice President of Membership and Certification, NRPA

### Session 1: 8:30-9:30 AM

**Block A:** Improving Your Turf Grass Performance and Playability / Adam Thoms, Iowa State University

This presentation will cover how to improve both natural grass management as well as athletic field safety.

**Block B:** Esports and How Communities Can Get Involved / Erich Bao, GG Leagues

Come discover what esports are and why it is quickly becoming a staple of recreation. In addition, hear about more about what it would take for you to get involved with esports and how easy it can be!

### Session 2: 9:45-10:45 AM

**Block A:** Just Blow Your Whistle: Why Guards Fail to Recognize / Kelly Martinez, City of Phoenix

Victim recognition is easily the most important aspect of a lifeguard's job. This session will address recognition failure and the factors that contribute to this lapse. We will explore the misconceptions associated with victims, as well as share videos to support these preconceived stereotypes. In-service training activities and drills will be shared to enhance and reinforce recognition.

**Block B:** Tough Decisions / Margaret Smith, YouExcelNow Presented by LSI

Supervisors and leaders must be keenly in tune with co-workers and subordinates as it relates to working through tough decisions. These include discipline, termination, poor performance, setting objective rather than subjective performance measures. Regardless of your professional experience, gaining new knowledge of staff performance is vital.



### Session 3: 11:00 AM-12:00 PM

**Block A:** How to Lose a 21 Million Dollar Drowning Lawsuit / Juliene Hefter, Safety First Aquatics and Association of Aquatic Professionals

A jury awarded \$21.5 million to the family of a 6-year-old boy who drowned in a pool when he had been part of a summer camp program on 6/17/14. He was pulled unresponsive from the pool and later died. Join the plaintiff expert to review what should have been done differently.

**Block B:** Homelessness in Parks / Rodney Dieser Ph.D, University of Northern Iowa

This session will provide strategies for how a community parks and recreation department can help homeless people transition to healthier environments. Three case studies will be provided.

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## Registration Fee

The event registration fee of \$30 for IPRA Member and \$40 for Non-IPRA Members includes all three (3) time slots per mini workshop. If you choose to not attend all three(3) time slots per mini workshop there are no pro-rated rates. You can register for one, two or all three mini workshops at one time. Registration for each workshop must be done at least three (3) business days prior to the event. There are also no pro-rated rates if you register for all three (3) mini workshops.

## Choice of Sessions

There will be two (2) presentations offered per time slot for members to choose from. A total of three (3) time slots per mini workshop will be offered. Each participant will receive a detailed one day schedule, 48 business hours prior to their registered event(s). This will include your virtual log in information and a more detailed description of the sessions being offered and presenter information. All participants will have the choice of which session they attend each time slot.

## Log in Required with Video Use

To receive CEU credit(s), each participant will need to log into Zoom and type their full name on their screen and be on live video through the entire session. Please be mindful that you will be monitored during your sessions and we appreciate your professionalism at all times.

## CEU's

All sessions have been approved for CEU's for the National Parks and Recreation Association CPRP or CPRE certification. Each session is worth 0.1 hours of continuing education credit.

## Approved CEU's will be emailed

Following the conclusion of each mini workshop, participants will be emailed their approved CEU form(s) for their records.

## Conference Planning Committee

Thank you to the city of Sioux City for assisting with planning the 2021 IPRA Virtual Conference. We are disappointed they won't be able to share their community with us. Special shout out to our committee members - Matt Salvatore, John Byrnes, and Paige O'Farrell.