

Recreation Board Prepares Budget For Coming Year

Increasing the contingent fund estimate to \$500, Birmingham's recreation board approved a budget of \$1,000 for a special meeting March 12. That amount will be used for expenses for the 1953-54 season which will be turned over to Birmingham commissioners for official action in connection with the city's forthcoming budget.

Whitney's contingent fund of \$350 was termed "too close an estimate" by one member. Frank Allie who pointed out that the original figure left little margin for replacement and repairs of equipment.

Accordingly, board members are seeking an additional \$500 to cover those possible needs.

Whitney's budget represents a gain of \$4,000 over the amount allocated by commissioners last year.

IN PRESENTING figures for the coming year, Whitney stressed the fact that he had increased requested amounts in only a few items, baseball and playground activities being the ones he increased above.

"The other things," he said, "run just about the same, year after year, and I see no prospect of any increase in those areas this year."

"We tried in every way, to keep the budget as low as possible and still give us room to operate. It's difficult to estimate what minimum weather conditions and the like will throw the whole thing off balance.

However, I feel positive that we have a good, solid, elementary program and allow for certain expansions on these figures."

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Tonight master of the banquet will be Harold Newcomb, Invocation will be made by Bob Thalacker. This will be followed by a short program. Miss Goss A. Wagner, Awards to the swimmers will then be presented by Jay Myers.

An award in the form of a trophy will be presented to the coach, Frank Whitney. After this tribute to the coach will be given by Ted Schwartz. Another tribute, will be given by Captain Ted Schwartz. Ending the program will be a talk by Ted Schwartz.

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