



Kevin Nuppnau Named Valpo Parks Director

Kevin Nuppnau has been named Valpo Parks Director, effective July 1, 2023. Nuppnau has been with Valpo Parks since 2018, leading key projects, such as Creekside Trails, the new Flounder & Friends Skatepark and the city's newest and largest park, Valpo Sports & Recreation Campus. Nuppnau will replace Parks Director John Seibert, who recently announced that he will retire on July 1 after more than 34 years of service. "I could not be more pleased and excited about the next chapter for Valpo Parks under the leadership of Kevin Nuppnau and our current exceptional Park staff and Board," said Seibert.

"I look forward to continuing the positive legacy of Valpo Parks fostered by John Seibert, expanding the superior level of facilities and programming that have distinguished Valpo Parks and our community," said Nuppnau. "It's an exciting time to lead Valpo Parks as we continue to polish our offerings and prepare to launch positive projects as part of the Valpo for All Generations initiative.

"I'm so pleased to have someone with Kevin's expertise and experience step into the leadership role of our esteemed Valpo Parks. Not only does Kevin have the background and talent, but he is deeply committed to his hometown of Valparaiso," said Mayor Matt Murphy. Nuppnau joined Valpo Parks in 2018 as Business Operations Manager and was promoted to Assistant Parks Director in January 2021. Nuppnau's first job as a teen was for Creekside Golf Course and he has fond memories of participating in Valpo Parks programming.

Nuppnau holds a master's degree in sports administration from Northwestern University and a bachelor's degree in sports management from Valparaiso University. He has years of experience in sports and entertainment, having served with Omnicom, the agency of record for AT&T's sports and entertainment sponsorships. In addition, Nuppnau worked in business development for Northwest University Athletics as part of Learfield – Northwestern Sports Properties. He has additional training in financial success for nonprofits from Cornell University. He also serves as a board member for the Valparaiso Community Schools Foundation and is certified by the National Alliance for Youth Sports.