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**Stacey Dicke Elected to the American Academy
for Park and Recreation Administration**

New Braunfels – Stacey Dicke, Parks and Recreation Director for the City of New Braunfels, has been elected to the American Academy for Park and Recreation Administration. Dicke was inducted recently at the Academy’s Annual Meeting during the National Recreation and Park Association Conference in New Orleans, LA.

The Academy is a group of distinguished practitioners and educators who are leaders in the field of park and recreation. They must have served for at least 15 years in a high level of administration in a park and recreation agency, or as a recognized educator in park and recreation administration, or they must manage a park and recreation department for an agency with a population of more than 500,000. They also must have demonstrated outstanding ability in administration, management, or education in the profession; displayed broad interest with a direct service benefit to the advancement of public parks and recreation, or assumed leadership with a keen desire to contribute to the advancement of the field. The Academy is limited to 125 active members.

Established in 1980, the Academy was formed to advance knowledge related to the administration of recreation and parks; encourage scholarly efforts by both practitioners and educators to enhance the practice of park and recreation administration; promote broader public understanding of the importance of park and recreation to the public good; and conduct research, publish scholarly papers and/or sponsor seminars related to the advancement of park and recreation administration.

“The Class of 2017 is a great addition to the Academy,” said 2017 President Christopher Nunes. “It is a diverse group – all with superior career experience and a dedication to improving the quality of life through the provision of high quality parks and recreation opportunities.”

More information on the Academy is available at www.aapra.org.

A photo of Stacey accepting her award from American Academy for Park and Recreation Administration President Christopher Nunes is attached.