



City of Columbia, Missouri

Meeting Minutes Youth Advisory Council

Tuesday, January 12, 2016

6:00 PM

Conference Room

1A/1B

Columbia City Hall

701 E. Broadway

I. CALL TO ORDER

Sloane Scott called the meeting to order at 6:07.

II. INTRODUCTIONS

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

December 8, 2015 YAC Minutes

Sloane Scott made a motion to approve the December Youth Advisory Council meeting minutes. Jenna Liu seconded the motion. The motion carried.

V. THINK FAST!

VII. OLD BUSINESS

CRIBS supply drives

The group continued the discussion of plans of action from last time:

Rock Bridge High School: Elementary school toy drive, Show Choir fundraiser, write to local businesses, Diversity Breakfast fundraiser

Battle High School: Supply drive at Wal-Mart, Hy-Vee

Hickman High School: Breakfast fundraiser

Everyone agreed that the fundraisers will happen during the last week of January (18th - 29th).

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

Youth Arts Coalition - Sarah Dresser, Office of Cultural Affairs Program Specialist

Sarah Dresser, Program Specialist with the Office of Cultural Affairs introduced a new program called Access Art to the group. This is intended to be a youth-led advocacy group for after school programs. The program's mission is to use art to increase youth (high school age groups) engagement in extracurricular activities by raising awareness to existing after school programs and providing students with transportation. Ms. Dresser asked for YAC support in spreading the words about the program and its first meeting, which will take place on Saturday, January 23rd from 11 am to 1 pm.

YAC Accountability Document Discussion - Leuchtmann/Scott

Sloane Scott and Matt Leuchtmann presented to the group a summary of important guidelines regarding YAC membership:

- Absences will be counted as of September 2015. If one exceeds three unexcused absences per term, his or her office will be forfeited. The YAC Secretary will email and notify people to inform them about their status after two unexcused absences.
- Adding a Media Coordinator: The group agreed on adding a new position to the executive team. The Media Coordinator is responsible for reaching out to organizations and cover press events.
- Outstanding Service Recognition: An award to recognize a member who has demonstrated exceptional dedication and performance on the council for the previous term. The purpose of this recognition is to ensure continuity and encourage participation.

Sloane Scott made a motion to set this document as an official participation guideline document. Kieran Malloy seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Discussion/Motion to allow Executive Team to dismiss members for attendance/participation issues

Ward 2 Council request for YAC consideration

Council person Michel Trapp asked for YAC members' opinions on a letter from Mr. Smith asking the City Council to bring Becky Alexander, a handicapped individual, to Columbia to make a speech about her life and create a DVD of the speech to be distributed to high schools throughout Missouri. Members of YAC agreed that something like this might already been created. We are also unsure whether Becky Alexander is aware of this letter or want to give a speech or not. Therefore, we would like to correspond to Mr. Smith suggesting other opportunities.

National League of Cities Conference Update - Dzung Nguyen & Katherine Sarafianos

X. GENERAL COMMENTS BY PUBLIC, MEMBERS AND STAFF

None

XII. NEXT MEETING DATE

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 9th, 2016.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

Sloane Scott made a motion to adjourn the January 12th YAC Meeting. Dzung Nguyen seconded the motion. The motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM.

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