

**Des Plaines Youth Commission Meeting  
Minutes - October 25th, 2021**

**Call To Order:** The meeting was called to order by Mary Dankowski, Chair at 6:01 p.m.

**Roll Call:** Roll call indicated the following commissioners present: Sebastian, AL-Naemy, Doerr, and Ludwig. Absent: Neil, Cullotta, and Burton Also present: M. Stern, City Liaison, Melissa Bober, Jim Bober, and Frankie (Francesca Bober)

**Public Comment:** Introduction of Bober family who wanted to acquire volunteer information, as well as information on DPYC.

**Previous Minutes:** Minutes from September, 2021 were presented- Motion made by Ludwig and seconded by Al-Naemy to approve minutes. Motion was carried.

**Budget:** M. Stern distributed copies of the budget. Our current balance is \$ 11, 570.83.

**Trunk or Treat:** We are participating in the DPPD event on October 30th from 12-3. Commissioners attending: Cullotta (chair), AL-Naemy, Ludwig, Sebastian, Neil, and Dankowski. Bags of treats will be provided, as well as buttons. Children will have the opportunity to color a badge of their choice, then return to pick up the button which will be assembled. S. Cullotta, F. Bober, and S. Cupuro will assist. Per map from J. Weber, we will be Number 22. Dankowski distributed to participating commissioners.

**Promotional Items:** M. Stern brought samples of items, which we may want to distribute. Commissioners were asked to view [4imprint.com](http://4imprint.com), which lists items that *children may use*. We will discuss at our next meeting.

**Holiday Hoopla** - Sebastian , Al- Naemy, and Ludwig will chair this event , which will be held on December 11th at the DPPL. from 1-3 - Interested families will need to register through the DPPL. Ludwig and AL-Naemy ( our elves) will help distribute bags to children. All attendees will be encouraged to bring a food item to put in bags. This committee is exploring options for children to write a letter to Santa and put in mailbox and perhaps take a picture with a cardboard Santa or elves. Flyer will be done by Sebastian for distribution. *Sebastian will bring items that were ordered and Dankowski will recruit students to help assemble bags at our November meeting.*

**Other business:** Dankowski confirmed with N.Peterson that the DPYC would again have a tree at Metropolitan Square . Sebastian will order decorations ( *which can be*

*assembled at our November meeting*). Al-Naemy and Ludwig, with volunteer students will meet about 3:45 on December 3rd to decorate the tree.

Conversation ensued about distribution of bags for families. Many groups in the community are collecting items for bags, with the DPPL being one of them. HH flyer will ask participants to bring a food item for bags.

M. Stern communicated that M. Cullotta's request to be a commissioner will be reviewed at the next City Council meeting!

Meeting was adjourned at 6:46 p.m. ***Next meeting will be held on Monday, November 22nd at 6:00 p.m. - PLCC PLEASE email Dankowski if you are unable to attend.***