

Des Plaines Youth Commission Minutes- February 26th, 2024

Call to Order - The meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m.

Roll Call- Neil, Burton, Ludwig, AL-Naemy, R. Cullotta, M. Cullotta, Doerr, & Dankowski were present. Absent: Sebastian Also present: R. Ludwig, J. Hock, and K. Reeves.

Previous Minutes- Minutes from January 22, 2024 were distributed. Motions made by Neil/Ludwig to approve minutes.Motion was carried.

Review: Intergenerational - Trivia Contest- Neil - Very well attended, wonderful time by teens and seniors. There were lots of great conversations with two teens and two seniors at each table. **Intergenerational** - Line Dancing & Brunch - very well attended. Thanks to the NHS sponsor for promoting this event.(First attempt at daytime activity). Dankowski had students submit names for future drawing.

Upcoming Events: Middle School Fun Night will be held at PL from 4 to 7 on March 9th. Doerr is chairing this and has taken care of the flyers/publicity. . She is ordering food and will get prizes through donations/promotional items/Keegan. Dankowski has arranged ten volunteers to lead the middle school students & is awaiting Co-Rec Softball flyer from DPPD for distribution. Adult volunteers: Neil, Sebastian, Dankowski, and Hock.

Pay it Forward- Burton said this has been an ongoing effort by D62, with exchange of kindness bracelets, parades, and various other activities. Burton will print pictures for plaques and discuss purchase of them at the March meeting.

Intergenerational: Bingo, March 21st at 4:00 p.m. at FC. Check the date for April 8th Zumba at 9:00 a.m. re availability of students. May 9th Painting Party at FC at 4:00 p.m.

Lifeskills Prom - Dankowski gave Keegan an invoice for \$ 225.00 for this April 19th, 4:00 p.m. event at MWHS. Check on previous teachers attending. Al-Naemy, M. Cullotta, & Dankowski will be present.

Fun Fair - This will be held at Prairie Lakes on May 11th from 4 until 7 pm. D62 schools will help provide games at tables and DPYC will purchase prizes and provide entertainment. Chairs- Burton, Neil, & Dankowski. *We are asking for all commissioners to help with this event.*

D62 Youth Empowerment Seminar- Promotional items available. We discussed doing this again for high school students. Reeves was instrumental in the success of this at MWHS.(team building activities and promoting leadership)

Budget - Keegan distributed the budget with various questions/comments.

Other Business: Doerr will not chair Taste of DP this year; R. Cullotta will take this over. Doerr will chair Trunk or Treat. We will review other needs for events at the next meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:09 p.m. **Next meeting will be Monday, March 18th at PL at 6:00 p.m.**