

Des Plaines Youth Commission Minutes- April 22, 2024

Call to Order - The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Roll Call- Neil, Burton, AL-Naemy, R. Cullotta, M. Cullotta, Doerr, & Dankowski were present. Absent: Sebastian and Ludwig. Also present: D. Keegan, J. Bober, and M. Amadei
February 26, 2024 were distributed. Motions made by Neil/Burton to approve minutes .Motion was carried.

Public Comment - Congratulations to Dr.. Amadei on new three year contract negotiation, amazing leadership, and for recognizing efforts by DPYC to promote activities and events to benefit youth in Des Plaines. We are grateful for the support and commitment by schools. We welcome dialogue on future events. Graduation dates: Chippewa- May 28th, Algonquin- May 29th, and Iroquois, June 4th.

Review: Intergenerational -March 9th Bingo -30 students in attendance. Report- Neil
April 8th - Painting Party - 16 students in attendance. - Report Neil- Great time everyone.

Middle School Fun Night was held at PL from 4 to 7 on March 9th. 60 students in attendance
Report by Doerr. Students loved matball and basketball.. Lots of high school mentors in attendance also. Sebastian, Neil, & Dankowski in attendance.

ELS Prom -Tremendous evening- Students loved bags supplied by DPYC and held in the MW Common area. - Beach theme with great decorations and DJ. - Very well attended by all three Maine Township schools. Report by M. Cullotta./Dankowski

Pay it Forward- Great ongoing effort by District 62 to promote kindness. Plaques will be ordered in May and Burton will produce pictures as supplied by participating schools.Thanks to T.Sommerfeldt for coordinating this.

D62 Youth Empowerment Seminar- Dr.Amadei said the Youth Empowerment Seminar was very well received and they would like to have more students involved next time.

Upcoming:

- **Intergenerational:** May 9th Barbeque/Bags Tourney at Frisbie 4:00 until 5:30.
- **Fun Fair** - This will be held at Prairie Lakes on May 11th from 4 until 7 pm. All volunteers should arrive by 3:00 to set up tables/games. (recruited by Dankowski)
Prizes purchased by DPYC. Thanks to Jen Bova and Deb Keegan for publicity. Tickets will be distributed FREE. Sebastian- thanks for the flyer!
- **Co- Rec Softball** - Neil/Dankowski - Registration in process for June 8th start.
- **Taste of Des Plaines**- R. Cullotta/M. Cullotta - Sat., June 15th- 12 to 4 p.m.
- **Parade- July 4th** - Burton, Chair- *Candy to be purchased Flyer needed for walkers.*
- **National Night Out**- August 6th- *Location TBD*- M. Cullotta, Chair

- **Food Truck Round-Up** - August 20th - Ludwig & Al-Naemy- Chairs- Library Plaza 5 to 8:00 p.m.
- **District 62** - Pay it Forward Plaques will be presented on Sept. 16th at the board meeting.
- **Middle School Bowling** - *Date TBA* - Doerr, Chair

Budget - Keegan distributed the budget .

Keegan will bring paperwork regarding term expiration dates for commissioners. If you would like to continue, an email must be submitted to the city. *Details provided at another meeting.*

Neil proposed a frame and letter of appreciation to P.Depcik. Motion of budget of \$20.00 made by Neil/Burton. Motion was carried.

Other Business: Meeting was adjourned at 7:19 p.m. **Next meeting will be held on WEDNESDAY, MAY 22nd at 6:00 p.m. at Praire Lakes CC .**