



Rochester Hills

Minutes - Draft

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Vern Pixley, City Council Liaison; Leanne Scott, Adult Advisor*

Monday, October 10, 2011

6:00 PM

1000 Rochester Hills Drive

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Jang called the Rochester Hills Government Youth Council Meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. Michigan Time.

ROLL CALL

Present 12 - Susanna Jang, Sean Kosecki, Michelle Thorpe, Eric LaRose, Laisa Magucha, Scott Schlagel, Pranita Balusu, Farha Hanif, Jacqueline Markey, Edward Schodowski, Francesca Tiberio and Ashish Tripathi
Absent 3 - Amith Diwakar, Scott Difilippo and Nicholas Michetti

COMMUNICATIONS

Youth Advisory Committee - Community Foundation of Greater Rochester

Mrs. Peg Hamilton, Director for the Community Foundation of Greater Rochester, presented the possibility of the Youth Council representing the Foundation as their Youth Advisory Committee (YAC). Mrs. Hamilton explained that in their role as YAC members they would be youth grant makers, quarterly or annually reviewing applications for grants submitted for youth projects within our community. The opportunity for additional leadership educational programs was also discussed.

Mrs. Hamilton stated that her purpose this evening was to explain what their role would be and to see if the Youth Council members would be interested in serving as members of the YAC as well. Once a decision has been made, she will follow up with Ms. Scott to discuss where to go from here.

The Youth members agreed that a vote should be taken to determine whether or not this was something the members wanted to commit to.

2011-0584 Discussion regarding the Youth Council representing the Community Foundation of Greater Rochester as their Youth Advisory Committee (YAC).

Resolved, that the Rochester Hills Government Youth Council hereby agrees to serve as the Youth Advisory Committee for the Community Foundation of Greater Rochester

(Amith Diwakar entered at 6:38 p.m.)

Present 13 - Susanna Jang, Amith Diwakar, Sean Kosecki, Michelle Thorpe, Eric LaRose, Laisa Magucha, Scott Schlagel, Pranita Balusu, Farha Hanif, Jacqueline Markey, Edward Schodowski, Francesca Tiberio and Ashish Tripathi

Absent 2 - Scott Difilippo and Nicholas Michetti

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The Youth Council addressed the topic of hosting a Youth Summit that was brought up at their September 2011 meeting. Adult Advisor Scott shared information, such as the planning, creation of subcommittees, fundraising efforts, and the actual agenda for the Summit that was held in 2008. The youth members discussed both pros and cons of whether or not to host a Summit in 2012, and agreed the best thing to do would be to put it to a vote.

2011-0596 Discussion regarding hosting a Youth Summit in 2012

The Youth Council Members were appointed to the following subcommittees so planning for the Youth Summit could begin right away:

- Fundraising and Supplies: *Chairperson Scott Schlagel, Scott Difilippo, Michelle Thorpe, Francesca Tiberio and Edward Schodowski*

- Advertising: *Chairperson Farha Hanif, Pranita Balusu, Laisa Magucha, Jacqueline Markey and Ashish Tripathi*

- Logistics: *Chairperson Eric LaRose, Amith Diwakar, Susanna Jang, Sean Kosecki and Nicholas Michetti*

The committee members agreed to meet prior to the next Regular Meeting and will be prepared to give an update at that time.

A motion was made by Thorpe, seconded by Diwakar, that this matter be Approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye 7 - Jang, Diwakar, Magucha, Balusu, Hanif, Schodowski and Tiberio

Nay 6 - Kosecki, Thorpe, LaRose, Schlagel, Markey and Tripathi

Absent 2 - Difilippo and Michetti

Resolved, that the Rochester Hills Government Youth Council hereby agrees to host a Youth Summit on March 10, 2012

2011-0392 RHGYC Projects - 2011/2012

Parisian Community Day Event

Ms. Scott reminded the Youth members that they are scheduled to sell coupon books at Parisian this Saturday, October 15th from 12:00 noon until 2:00 p.m.. The Youth Members signed up for half-hour time slots.

Oath of Office Ceremony

Ms. Scott stated that this event is scheduled for Thursday, November 17th at 6:30 p.m. She asked that Youth members arrive at City Hall by 6:00 p.m. to receive their assignments for the evening

Holiday Family Fun Night

This event begins at 5:30 p.m. Youth members were requested to arrive at City Hall by 5:00 p.m.

2011 Hometown Christmas Parade

Ms. Scott reiterated that the Parade will take place on Sunday, December 4, 2011, and noted that they will meet in the gymnasium at Stoney Creek High School. She stated that she will let the members know what time they need to arrive once they get closer to that date and reminded the members to start working on their costumes.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Youth Members reflected on the recent passing of Council Member J. Martin Brennan. The discussed the possibility of placing a decorative box at City Hall so that employees and residents could donate, and the funds raised could be used towards purchasing a bench in his name to be placed outside of City Hall. Adult Advisor Scott stated that she would discuss this suggestion with the Mayor.

NEXT MEETING DATE

Regular Meeting - Monday, November 14, 2011 at 6:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Rochester Hills Government Youth Council, Chairperson Jang adjourned the meeting at 7:48 p.m. Michigan Time.

Minutes prepared by Michelle Thorpe.