

Meeting Notes

Elmhurst Commission on Youth

Monday, December 14, 2015 at 12:30pm – Elmhurst City Hall

In Attendance: Jackie Tamer Melea Smith Mark Soehn
Patty McKernan Jeff Kucera Jan DeCoursey

Absent: Derek Schlager Sharon Karpel
Dan Corrigan Lynn McCreadie

Meeting Called to Order: 12:40 p.m.

Public Comment None

Introduction of Guests None

Review of August Minutes Jackie Tamer

There was no quorum so minutes could not be approved. This will be done at the beginning of the January, 2016 meeting

Treasurer Report Patty McKernan

The only known outstanding item is the coffee service for the Movie Service

Fall 2015 Forum update- run through day and evening Jan DeCoursey, Jackie Tamer

Dan asked if we could get speakers to the Freshman health classes at York and Melea said with the curriculum it would be hard.

Rotary Grant Jackie Tamer

Jackie has not heard back from Rotary so there is no update. Rotary does give schools \$2,500 worth of Kohls gift cards for students in need of winter coats

Job / Volunteer Fair Jackie Tamer

Partnerships with Junior Women's Club and Kiwanis for Volunteer/Job Fair

Next planning meeting is January 7 at 9:30am at City Hall. The Fair is scheduled for March 23 from 3 to 6pm with set up at 2:30pm promptly due to parking issues after school is released.

The Library will update the flyers.

A \$75 email blast will be sent to all Chamber members looking for volunteer and job companies.

The information is due by March 3rd to be included in the booklet. There will be one booklet this year listing volunteer organizations and employment companies and at least 500 books will be printed.

The food and drinks for the vendors will be in a separate area with cookies for attendees put out at 3:30.

The work permit table will be by the Guidance Office and the Library will be conducting a resume workshop on March 21.

Youth Exemplary Awards

Jan DeCoursey

In the past we had quantity over quality – this year we would like quality over quantity. Jan looked at other towns with these type of awards to see what their forms included. Jan distributed a new nomination form with changes incorporating suggestions from other towns forms.

The awards will be at Sandburg School on April 27 at 7pm. Nominations will be due on March 11.

In large groups everyone nominated should have participated in the event. The group award should include how everyone worked together. Large groups will be asked to nominate one or two outstanding individuals in the group to be nominated individually. Service should be between February 1, 2015 and March 1, 2016.

There will be a word limit of 250 – 500 words in the description portion of the form.

The nominator will be asked to ensure that their nominee is present at the awards since all nominees do not receive their emails. Phone calls would be made to the final round winners to let them know they have been nominated. Nominees are being asked to RSVP one week before the awards ceremony. Jackie will follow up with Madonna on RSVP letter to nominators and nominees. By April 20th we will need the number of guests attending.

Melea will make sure the podium and stage are set up and Jackie will contact Ken Bartels and let him know that we are reducing the amount of content based on his suggestions. Jackie will follow up with Comcast.

New Business

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Jackie will check with the City regarding updating the website.

Jan said she met with a parent who started a Parent Coalition on Healthy Eating for Youth and Children. The parent would like to do a movie screening on healthy eating and is hoping to start a business about kids eating healthy.

A suggestion for future presentations included targeting middle school children regarding alcohol and cannabis / heroin awareness and talking about social media and how to protect families and themselves.

The next meeting is Wednesday, January 20, 12:30pm at City Hall.

Meeting Adjourned

2:00 p.m.