

**Youth Service Commission
Minutes
March 31, 2015**

Meeting Called to Order: A. Ellis called the meeting to order at 4:36 PM

Roll Call: A. Ellis (P) D. Beck-Clemens (P) M. Nunn (P) John Malchow (P)

County Rep. C. Britt (P) Juvenile Lieutenant B. Emerick (P) M. Alberto (P)

Youth Members; Elspeth Allen (P) Nolan Williams (P)

Reports: The Mayor appointed Youth members Elspeth Allen and Nolan Williams at the March 19th, 2015 Council meeting. All Youth Service meetings will now take place on the last Tuesday of the month with a 4:30 pm start, as voted by Commission members at the last meeting held on February 3rd, 2015. Meetings will be held at the same location, Valley View School in the “All Purpose Room.”

Treasurer report: The balance in the donation account remains the same at \$817.15.

Correspondence:

1. Oath of Office for the following members J. Malchow and Youth members Elspeth Allen and Nolan Williams (Signatures required)
2. The 2nd Quarterly Report for the months of December, January and February will be due to the county by April 6th. All receipts and purchase orders should be submitted prior to this date for payment.

Unfinished Business:

1. At the February 2015 meeting the Commission discussed running a D.A.R.E. refresher program for 8th graders. B. Emerick mentioned he would see if there was a possibility of running another program with the 8th grade with the D.A.R.E. officer. The D.A.R.E. officer did not see any issues with running a refresher program. M. Nunn reported that she spoke with the officer and they plan to run the program sometime in June.
2. C. Britt reported that the Competitive and Annual Grants are not yet available from the county.

New Business:

1. While discussing the 2015/16 School year Annual Grant, M. Nunn pointed out that the programs that have been run with the grant funds in the past have worked well for the schools facility and staffing and so they would like to continue offering the same programs. M. Nunn did report that the full amount of the grant will most likely not be needed for the programs in place. She asked if the remaining funds could be used for the D.A.R.E. refresher course. C. Britt mentioned that the extra funds can be used for any ongoing program but that a request needed to be submitted to the county. She mentioned

that in some towns they have moved the “Girls on the Run” program to recreation and ran a different program with the grant funds.

2. D. Beck-Clemens reported that a grant is available from the ESA Foundation.

The grant application is due May 15th the money is to be used for positive programs to educate students with technology using computers or video games.

3. L. Monetti mentioned the possibility of the Youth Services Commission partnering with the Recreation Commission to run the Movie night planned for June 12th, 2015.

A. Ellis asked that discussion be postponed until the next meeting. All were in favor.

4. Youth Service Chairman A. Ellis mentioned that the reason for youth involvement in the Commission is to bring new ideas for programs. M. Alberto asked the youth members if they had any suggestions for future programs. E. Allen suggested a Snow Boarding / Ski Club. N. Williams suggested running an after school soccer program. Also mentioned by N. Williams was for the 8th grade refresher D.A.R.E. program he suggested having the 8th grade take a pre-test to see how much they remembered and then involving the 5th graders be involved in teaching the refresher class and have them take the test again.

Cindy Britt – C. Britt mentioned the different programs that were available through the county like the “Healthy Teens Workshop” for parents. In June the county will run a program for anxiety in teens. That program will be run on a Friday from 8:30 – 9:30 am and will be offered for \$20.00. Also coming will be a “Boys Council Training.”

Next Meeting Schedule: The next Youth Service meeting is scheduled for April 28, 2015.

Adjournment: As there was no further business A. Ellis adjourned the meeting at 5:32 PM.

Respectfully Submitted
By Linda Monetti
Youth Service Secretary