

## YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL MINUTES

Wednesday, September 4, 2019

4 p.m. – Community Room – West Linn Public Library

**Present Youth Advisory Council Members:** Hunter Shepersky, Riley Heinonen, Nate DeMoro, Summer Tan, Aubrey Cutler, Autumn Straitiff, Advay Koranne, Logan Winder, and Drayton Nimz

West Linn Staff Members: Alicia Shroyer

West Linn City Council Members: Jules Walters

Absent: Eli Johnson

**Call to Order:** Miss Shepersky called the meeting to order at 4:03pm.

**YAC Bi-Laws Review:** Miss Tan motions to approve the bi-laws, Miss Cutler seconds the motion, bi-laws approved unanimously.

Chair Elections: Miss Shepersky expressed interest in being the chair of the YAC, and read a speech she had prepared to the group. No others expressed interest in running for chair. Group voted, unanimously appointed Miss Shepersky to chair position. Miss Tan, Miss Cutler, and Miss Straitiff expressed interest in being co-chair of the YAC and read speeches they had prepared. Since three members were running, group decided to cast votes anonymously. Majority of votes were cast for Miss Tan who was elected as co-chair. Miss Cutler expressed interest in running for Treasurer, no others expressed interest. Group voted unanimously to appoint Miss Cutler as Treasurer. Miss Straitiff expressed interest in running for Secretary, no others expressed interest. Group voted unanimously to appoint Miss Straitiff as Secretary.

Goals: Miss Shepersky asked to hear from the group — why did they join the YAC. Mr. Winder said he joined to get something accomplished this year. Miss Straitiff agreed, she would like to have a community hangout event without any cliques. Miss Shepersky asked what everyone thought about doing the Mental Health Awareness night again this year. Miss Straitiff asked to read off a list of ideas, Miss Shepersky approved. Miss Straitiff mentioned becoming a club recognized by the school, Miss Shepersky said she would be able to get that process started. Miss Tan mentioned the Drug Take-Back event, Miss Straitiff asked what the event was. Miss Shepersky explained that it was an event they had done a few year back where people could safely recycle their old prescription medication. Miss Shepersky said she would work with Officer Halverson to see if this was an event they could do this year. Mrs. Shroyer mentioned another recycling event that the Lake Oswego YAC was doing and asked if that is something we would be interested in doing. Miss Shepersky said she could reach out to West Linn Refuse to see if they would want to partner for something similar. Miss Cutler mentioned trunk-ortreating and if the group would want to do that as their first event. Miss Straitiff said she thinks the group should continue to sell doughnuts this year, Miss Shepersky agreed, but thinks that one person

should take ownership of it this year — one person to pick them up and coordinate selling them. Miss Tan asked about selling concessions at football games and if they could start now or wait until they were a club recognized by the school — group decided to wait. Mrs. Shroyer asked about the Ice Cream Social they were wanting to host, Miss Straitiff asked if they thought they might be able to have it put together by October. Group agreed they didn't think the event would be successful in that short amount of time. Miss Shepersky brought up Trunk-or-Treating again.

**Trunk-or-Treating:** Group began to brainstorm how the event would work. Decided it should be on the Saturday before Halloween, sometime during the day. Group decided they would sell sponsorships to businesses who would want to participate in the event — have a car or booth on-site for kids to trick-ortreat at. Group began to brainstorm different businesses they should reach out to. Miss Heinonen asked how much the businesses should donate, Miss Cutler said it should be somewhere between \$100-\$150. Group decided they would each come up with 10 different businesses they were going to reach out to for trunk or treating to bring to the next meeting. Next meeting they would also work on drafting a letter they can give to the potential businesses.

**Other Business:** Councilor Walters brought up If I Were Mayor... contest and asked if anyone was interested in participating. There was slight interest in this contest, group decided they would talk about it at a future meeting.

**Adjournment:** Miss Shepersky called the meeting at 5:18pm.