

YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL MINUTES

Wednesday, November 6, 2019

4 p.m. – Hollow – West Linn Public Library

Present Youth Advisory Council Members: Hunter Shepersky, Riley Heinonen, Nate DeMoro, Summer Tan, Aubrey Cutler, Advay Koranne, and Eli Johnson

West Linn Staff Members: Alicia Shroyer

West Linn City Council Members: Jules Walters

Absent: Drayton Nimz, Logan Winder, Autumn Straitiff, and Angie Nelson

Call to Order: Miss Shepersky called the meeting to order at 4:04pm.

Minutes: Miss Shepersky moved to approve the minutes, Miss Tan seconded, and minutes were approved unanimously.

Trunk or Treat recap: Miss Shepersky asked the group what they thought the pros and cons were of the event. Pros were good PR for the group and great turn out from the community on a first time event. Cons were the layout of the cars and that not a lot of fundraising took place. Miss Shepersky said she would like to have more businesses participate next year. Miss Tan said now they have done it once, they should do the event again next year and can start soliciting earlier.

Shirts: Miss Cutler has the polos and is working on getting them embroidered with the YAC logo. She said she will follow up with Hometown and get it sorted out.

Mental Health Awareness Night: Miss Shepersky asked the group what they would like to see for the event. Miss Tan asked if a date had been set yet. Event was in May last year so the group would like to hold the event around the same time this year. Miss Shepersky asked if they would like to keep the same question-and-answer format they had with the event last year. Miss Tan thought that was a good idea – gives the event more interaction and less of a lecture. Miss Shepersky said she liked the speakers they had last year and was curious if they would be interested in speaking again this year. Group will reach out to Pam Pearce and see if she would be able to attend an upcoming meeting.

National YAC Conference: Miss Shepersky asked about the National YAC conference in Washington DC and if they wanted to go. Miss Tan said it seems like a big goal and Mr. Johnson asked if it would be realistic for this year. Mr. Johnson suggested they try and send two or three people from the group every year so they could report back to everyone what was learned. Mrs. Shroyer asked if the group was interested in attending the local YAC conference in Salem this year – event was in February last year, but not sure of the dates for this year. Miss Tan said she thinks it would be good for them to attend this year.

Other Business: Mrs. Shroyer asked if the group would be interested in being part of the West Linn Tree Lighting event this year – specifically Parks is looking for someone to be COWL the Owl. Group said yes they would like to be involved this year, Mr. Johnson said he could be the Owl and Miss Shepersky and Miss Cutler said they could help.

Miss Shepersky mentioned she would like to do some team bonding and asked the group if they had any ideas of what they should do. Some ideas that were thrown out were bowling, Top Golf, hiking, Sky High, and a holiday party.

Miss Shepersky is curious if they YAC is able to have sponsors, similar to how high school sports would have sponsors. Mrs. Shroyer said she would look into it and see if it was a possibility.

Adjournment: Miss Shepersky called the meeting at 4:53pm.