

YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL MINUTES

Tuesday, May 9, 2023

4 p.m. – WebEx

Present Youth Advisory Council Members: Quinton Michael, Annamika Konkola, Karina Rower, Madeline Brown, Sabrina Zhang, Declan Winder, Jake Frazier, Nate DeMoro

West Linn Staff Members: Danielle Choi

West Linn City Council Members: Rory Bialostosky

Guest Speakers: Pam Pearce

Absent: Caroline Nielsen, AJ Tan

Call to Order: Meeting called to order by President Annamika at 4:00pm.

Public Comment: None

Discussion of quorum: Quorum established.

Approval of Minutes: Annamika motioned to approve the minutes from the March meeting, Quinton seconded the motion.

Project Check-Ins:

Guest speaker Pam Pearce introduced herself and explained some of the work she has been doing. Pam also explained into some of the reasons by her work, including some local statistics and information about Community Living Above and Teen Advisory Board, a sector of Community Living Above.

Annamika and Pam asked if there were any questions, and Annamika brought up the group question of Community Living Above's impact in the school district.

Pam said she works closely with district director Dr. Spencer-Iams in order to get the word out,

and asked if anyone made it to the National Drug and Alcohol Fact Week or saw any of the social media surrounding that event. Madeline said she did, and Pam talked about the goal of their social media and the resources they repost.

Concluding the Q+A, Pam said that all students are welcome at meetings, including seniors to get a cord, and to feel free to text or call her with anything anyone sees.

After Pam left the meeting, Annamika brought up the next agenda item, which was updates from Rory about council's goal setting that happened in April. Rory gave the updates and said

Annamika said they should add community center to the next meeting in order to circle back.

Rory commented on the group being quiet today. Jake said he has senioritis and that the community center should be on the agenda for the next meeting, and also that "they just need to make sure the center doesn't turn into a campground."

Annamika and Rory shared the update on 1-205 tolling being paused until 2026.

Annamika brought up changes for next year's YAC, and asked the board for ideas.

Madeline brought up the concept of a social media position, and Jake agreed.

Annamika resolved to bring it up to Danielle.

Adding on meetings in the summer was also discussed, but ultimately decided against due to potential scheduling conflicts.

Other Business:

Annamika asked Jake how the drug drop off was going, and Jake said the PD is busy right now. Annamika said she will ask again next meeting.

Adjournment: President Annamika adjourned the meeting at 4:51pm.