

Minutes

Youth Advisory Board Minutes

April 16, 2003

Council Chambers, New Berlin City Hall, 3805 S. Casper Dr.

Minutes are unofficial until approved by the Youth Advisory Board at their next regularly scheduled meeting.

Present: Ashley Stocks, Kristin Czubkowski, Katie Chiovero, Katie Levene, Megin Rozman, Mason Fong, Nikki Serkowski, Mike Moths, Joe Gradel, Eric Schmidt, Charlie Klezcka, Greg Bybee, Casie Walsh

Excused: Kate Bonner, Karsten Huttelmaier

Absent: Robert Bakic

Also Present: Tome Riese, Brian Moths, Eric Printz, Josh Orlikowski, Kristi Prokop, Teddy Walsh, Renee Knutilla, Mary Flagg, Nancy Perkins

The meeting began at 6:36 PM.

Approval of Minutes:

Greg Bybee motioned to approve the minutes from March 18, 2003. Joe Gradel seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

Privilege of the Floor:

Greg Bybee passed out flyers and information regarding SAYES, an organization with which the YAB is familiar. He encouraged board members to join the group, which performs both regular and occasional jobs for New Berlin citizens, particularly elderly citizens. He also passed out a packet on parliamentary procedure for the YAB's benefit.

Nikki Serkowski provided the group with details regarding her trip to the New Loft Teen Center in Madison, WI. She contacted Earl German, who informed her that teen centers have been in Madison since the 1920s, and that they receive city grants and grants from the United Way. The New Loft center operates on a wristband system, has lots of volunteer aid, and includes computers, a snack bar, a poolroom, and tables. It is open from 3:30PM to 8:00PM on weekdays, and on each Friday and Saturday night it has a DJ and a local band, respectively. Difficulties with the teen center included lack of money for rent and repairs, not enough police, and not enough teens at the center, but assured Serkowski that the YAB was well on its way towards a teen center, having already picked out a location and scoped out teen interest.

Executive Committee:

Both Ashley Stocks and Greg Bybee experienced computer crashes recently, so the state and location of the YAB brochure is unknown at this moment.

Programs Committee:

The Kick-ball league is up and running officially—flyers were passed out at the meeting. Youth Board members are to spread the word about the league.

Nancy Perkins from the Fourth of July committee came and spoke to the group. She explained the activities of that week: On the 2nd is an event for senior citizens, on the 3rd and 4th are typical Fourth of July activities, and then on the 5th is the battle of the bands. As of right now, the battle of the bands will be held from 2:00PM to 8:00PM, but the board requested that it be moved from 4:00PM to 10:00PM in order to attract more teens. Badger Sound has been booked for that day, but a contract is needed as soon as possible. The Fourth of July Commission is willing to give the board \$500 to work with in planning the battle. Perkins also mentioned that chaperones will be needed, that each band is responsible for its own equipment, and that a dress code and appropriate song lyrics are required of participating bands. Kristin Czubkowski and Mason Fong were selected to chair the committee to plan the battle of the bands, which also includes Casie Walsh, Megin

Rozman, Nikki Serkowski, Katie Levene, Katie Chiovatero, and Ashley Stocks. There is a meeting for the Fourth of July Commission on April 30, 2003, at 7:30 in the city hall building, that Perkins urged members to attend. She also stated that if anyone from the board wanted to or knew someone who might want to do face painting at the Fourth of July activities, the commission is willing to pay them.

Mason Fong left at 7:35 PM.

Mason Fong left before the Teen Survey could be discussed.

Youth Opportunities Committee:

Megin Rozman suggested that members for the board be recruited from other schools that Eisenhower and West. Members are to spread the word nonetheless, however.

The State Youth Board Association discussion was postponed until the next meeting.

The Youth Board web site is going very well. Eric Schmidt suggested that personal bios on each member be added under the "Member Information" section.

Facilities Committee:

The Old Library Usage proposal discussion was postponed until the next meeting.

Greg Bybee motioned for the meeting to be adjourned. Nikki Serkowski seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved. The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 PM.

The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, May 21, 2003 at 6:30 PM.