

Minutes

YOUTH ADVISORY BOARD

Monday, August 13, 2001

New Berlin City Hall

Present:

Mayor Ted Wysocki, Ashley Stocks, Nikki Serkowski, Greg Bybee, Charlie Kletzka, Megan Mozina, Megin Rozman, Maja Middleton, Karsten Huttelmaier, Casie Walsh, Michelle Wagner, Mike Moths (arrived 7:20 p.m.)

Also Present:

Jim Gatzke, Tom Riese, Mason Fong (arrived 8:10 p.m.), John Goodell

Excused:

Dean Patzer, Cody Alf, Mike Reeves

Greg Bybee called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

Approval of Minutes:

Thursday, May 24, 2001

Minutes were approved unanimously with Megin Rozman and Charlie Kletzka voting present.

Saturday, June 2, 2001

Minutes were approved unanimously with Charlie Kletzka voting present.

Wednesday, June 20, 2001

Minutes were approved unanimously with Megin Rozman, Charlie Kletzka, and Karsten Huttelmaier voting present.

Tuesday July 10, 2001

Minutes had not yet been distributed.

New Business:

It was announced that Larry Wright III resigned from the Youth Advisory Board, leaving an opening. Mason Fong was told to speak with Alderman Schuble about filling Larry's spot.

New Youth Advisory Board Member John Goodell was introduced and welcomed to the Board.

Future and Purpose of the Youth Advisory Board

Mayor Wyscoki distributed City Ordinance No. 2104, which states the purpose for Youth Advisory Board and its bylaws. He discussed the process of government and stressed that we must follow all democratic government procedures. He stated that our "Fifth Member" position needs to be officially identified and approved by the Common Council. Formal discussion on future of the Fifth Members will take place at the next meeting.

Wysocki feels that the Youth Advisory Board was created to advise common council on the position of the youth in regards to city issues. For example, he would like us to make a recommendation to common council in regards to what the library means to the youth, and what the youth would like to see done with the old building (ie - youth center). Mayor Wysocki will invite Katie Schultz, Library Director, to speak with us at the next meeting.

The facilities committee will look into the issue of a new library in further detail and prepare a report for the next meeting.

Mayor Wysocki mentioned that he is considering having someone from the park and recreation department fill the seat of the Mayor on the Youth Advisory Board and will discuss it at the next meeting.

Wysocki will prepare a brief "New Berlin current events" update for the Board at each meeting so that everyone has an understanding of Council decisions and City happenings.

Tom Riese stated he would like to hold a workshop on city government so that we are more familiar with the procedures that we need to follow.

New Tasks for the Board

It was agreed upon that we need to finish the existing projects (teen yellow pages, web page, and the second teen dance) before acquiring new projects.

Old Business:

Relay For Life Follow-Up

It was agreed that the entertainment at the relay was a success. A discussion on whether or not to participate in the same role in 2002 followed.

It was decided that the Youth Board did not need all of the entertainment planned. Many of the "games" went unappreciated and were a waste of effort. However, the bands and music were a must, and games such as the Tug-Of-War contest went very well. It was recommended to have a Volleyball Tournament in 2002, since volleyball was a very popular activity of the relay.

Everyone agreed that the Board was too involved with the process. Megan Mozina said that she believes if we become involved again next year, it will be much less work, as we already have a plan to go from. Greg Bybee suggested that next year individuals the Board should set-up a sub-committee of 6-8 people to specialize on the Relay, so that the planning does not slow down or interfere with the Board's activities. The committee could obtain input from the board at meetings, but the project would not consume entire Youth Board meetings.

Fourth Of July Follow-Up (Climbing Wall)

Maja Middleton reported that a total of \$54 was raised working at the wall. Maja was the only Board Member to show up to help. Greg Bybee made a motion to donate the money to SAYES New Berlin, Inc. The motion was seconded by Megin Rozman and passed unanimously. Greg Bybee suggested that Maja Middleton appear at the next SAYES meeting to present the money and help continue a link between the Youth Advisory Board and the Senior Advocate Youth Exchange Service (SAYES).

Second Teen Dance

It was announced that the August date was canceled due to lack of participation of the Board. It was then decided that the next dance should be early 2002, perhaps after a Eisenhower/West basketball game. The Eisenhower/West basketball games are on Friday, December 7, and Tuesday January 29. Members are to look at potential dates and report back at the next meeting.

Teen Yellow Pages

Mayor Wysocki will meet with Mike Crowley from the NBEDC on August 17, 2001. He will report at the next meeting if assistance from NBEDC is still a possibility. The Board currently has \$3500 available from the city, which does not carry into 2002, so it must be used by December 31. Maja Middleton motioned that she should speak with common council about the status of the project and request to use of the \$3500 from the youth center study for the yellow pages instead. The motion was made on the condition that more information could be gathered. The motion was seconded by Megan Mozina, and passed unanimously.

Youth Web Page

No Report. It will be discussed at the next meeting. The Programs Committee will have a committee meeting to discuss what should be on the page.

2002 Fourth of July Participation

It was decided to wait on the Fourth of July planning until early 2002.

Next Meeting:

The next meeting was changed to: Tuesday, September 18, 2001 at 6:30 p.m. The meeting will be held in the Common Council Chambers at the City Hall.

It was decided to hold meetings on the third Tuesday of each month at 6:30 from this point on.

Adjournment:

Casie Walsh moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Megin Rozman and passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m.