

Rock Hill Commission for Children and Youth
October 1, 2018
City Hall, Room 373
5:30 PM

The Commission serves to enhance and promote the positive development of all children and youth through comprehensive collaborative action. The Commission will utilize all of the community's resources, public and private agencies, businesses, church and civic organizations, to promote the health, safety, education and social well-being of all children and youth.

MINUTES

Present: Clair Britt, Jenifer Crawford, Mary Robbins Evans, Queenie Hall, John Sanders, Cindy Hunt, Sara Blancke

Absent: Duane Neff, Randy Deas

Staff: Garnet McKeown, Olivia Reed

CALL TO ORDER 5:35 PM

STAFF HIGHLIGHT None this month

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Minutes approved.

Old Business

Youth Council Report

- Great attendance at the September 12 kickoff event
- Very diverse group
- Representatives from 7 different schools
- Youth Council Grant applications available
 - Open to 13-19 year olds
 - Up to \$500 available
- Grant workshop on October 10 from 7:30-8:30
- Applications due November 5 by 5 PM
- Commissioners encouraged to spread the word and share on social media
- Young Key Influencers (typically juniors and seniors in high school)
 - To determine what the youth of Rock Hill want their community to do and look like
 - Meeting with Mayor Gettys November 7 from 6:30-8 PM at the Gettys Center Courtroom
 - If anyone is interested, please let Garnet know so an invitation can be sent to you

Ambassador Report

- Ambassadors met September 27
- Next meeting will be October 11

Moving Rock Hill Forward

- Focuses on 3 key elements:
 - *Reading* – literacy in Rock Hill Reads

- *Bike Mentoring*
- *Work Force Development* – 18-30 year olds matched with mentors
- There was great support and turnout from groups and business at the event on 9/29 but not as much as had been hoped for from the community
- Additional books have been donated to REC in a Box to help with this initiative

ACE's

- Rock Hill schools is using ACE's as part of its emphasis on safety and health
A spring event is in the planning stages to raise awareness of ACE's
- *Resilience* has been shared with principles at all schools in the district
- Upcoming Mental Health Symposium
 - October 18 from 2-4 PM at Rawlinson Road Middle School
 - Open to the public

NEW BUSINESS

- Commissioners are invited to the Annual Boards and Commissions Dinner on October 11
 - 6 PM at Manchester Meadows
- Commissioners are invited to PRT's Holiday Lunch on November 15
 - Noon at the Hilton Garden Inn

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

- Commissioners all need to see *Resilience* to be informed and help support efforts to raise awareness
 - A potential screening may be held during the retreat
- Garnet has toured the Indoor Sports Center
 - Opportunity as a meeting space
 - Possible opening date April 2019 at the earliest
 - Events are already booked for 2019 and 2020
- TAP into the Arts on November 9
 - Carhartt Hall at the Cotton Factory, 6:30-8pm
 - Art show with all pieces created by individuals with special needs
 - Photography, painting, and pottery
- Christmas Parade will be held on November 30
- Next meeting (and final meeting of the year) will be November 5

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 6:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Olivia Reed