

Rock Hill Commission for Children and Youth
September 9, 2019
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: Mary Robbins Evans, John Sanders, Duane Neff, Queenie Hall, Erica Smith, Clair Britt,

Absent: Jenifer Crawford, Sara Blancke, Cindy Taubenkimel

Staff: Patti Panetti, Olivia Reed

CALL TO ORDER 5:35 PM

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Minutes approved.

Old Business

- Commissioners who attended the Youth Service League Awards Night discussed its impact
 - Enthusiasm and amount of hours volunteered by the youth participants
 - PW's generosity
 - Good attendance & may need a larger venue – possibly Indoor Center in the future
- ACES Workshop Summit -
 - Well attended (at capacity with over 250 people)
 - Good turnout of many public figures (superintendents, senators etc.)
 - Schools and law enforcement were also well represented
 - Keynote speakers & breakout sessions were very informative
 - Some of the speakers included:
 - Martha Edwards – pediatric doctor, spoke on how formative the first few years are, spoke on brain facts and told patient stories
 - David Guyton – family court judge, read victim's statements
 - Mary Lynn Barrett – social worker, spoke about the positive impact of singing and how this helps children cope
 - "Prevention is more powerful than intervention."
 - The summit focused on bringing awareness to the crisis and where everyone fits in in building resiliency
 - "When we know better, we do better."
 - The power of ACEs is that although it is not a predictor, it is an explainer – why kids aren't attentive, don't listen etc.
 - Call to action – filled out awareness survey from the Charlotte AHEC
 - The committee will reconvene in September to analyze the survey results
- The CC&Y is interested in having Judge Guyton and Dr. Edwards come speak
 - PRT is interested in doing an event with them as well

New Business

Youth Council Report

- Acceptance letters have gone out and the first meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 11

Promote Financially Fit Families

- Patti shared an article from the National League of Cities publication, Strengthening America's Families
- "Organize and pass local legislation to combat predatory lending"
- "Work with local banks to increase access to financial services"
 - Promoting being financially fit – can open a credit union account with tax refunds & would get refunds faster
- Idea to work with Family Trust Federal Credit Union & to have banks/credit unions come speak
- Host financial literacy workshops (with pizza) for the community and teach high schoolers
 - Can target the audience of people who pay cash for their bills too

Supporting PRT Events and Initiatives Objective -

- The UCI BMX Supercross World Cup and the Grippped Festival will be held September 13 & 14 at the BMX Track
- This is the 6th year of the BMX World Cup and Rock Hill has hosted 1 of the events every year.
- Thursday, October 10 – 6 PM at Fountain Park
- Celebration of the All American City Award and announcement of the next part of the Knowledge Park Action Plan
- Miracle Park groundbreaking tentatively held in November

Ambassadors' Meeting Report

- None

Additional Comments

- Invitation to the Boards & Commissions Cookout at Manchester Meadows on Oct. 8 have gone out
 - RSVP by Sept. 26
- Invitations to the holiday lunch on Nov. 21 will be sent out
- MyRide was discussed
 - Rock Hill Reads has books on every bus
 - MyRide app
- The next Commission meeting will be held on October 7th at 5:30 p.m. at the Rock Hill Brewery (next to Millstone Pizza) where Mayor Gettys will be restarting his "Pints with the Mayor."

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 6:35 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Olivia Reed