



August 24, 2009
7:00 P.M.

Youth Councilmembers Present:

Anthony Kuehler
Brushea Daniels
Caitlan Smelley
Camille Cox
Chelsea Greenberg
Jennifer Rutledge
Jeremiah Rogers
Kalyn Daily
Katie Frisk
Rachel Ball
Brad Allard

Youth Councilmembers Absent:

Adam Burnett

Victoria Sykes

CALL TO ORDER

The general MYC meeting was called to order at 7:03 P.M.

APPROVE MINUTES

- A. Approve July 27, 2009, Mayor's Youth Council, regular meeting..

Brushea Daniels motioned approval of July 27, 2009 Mayor's Youth Council meeting minutes be approved. Motion seconded by Katie Frisk. Item passed (11-0).

SPEAKERS

- A. Mayor Shetter was unable to attend
- B. Akala Murray
- a. Akala shared with the MYC what Teen Court is, its purpose and the importance of volunteers to help work the court system. Sessions last around 2 hours where 8-16 cases are addressed in one session. Teen Court needs both adult and teen volunteers, forms are due by Sept. 10, 2009.

CITIZEN AND YOUTH COMMENTS

- A. Mr. Pearson from Big Brother Big Sister came and shared with the Youth Council how their program works. He gave a lot of information and packets to inform the Youth Council of the steps it takes in order to bring the program to Burleson. Brushea Daniels commented that the Mayor's Youth Council should definitely become a part of the Big Brother Big Sister program and focus on bringing the program to Burleson.

REPORTS

- A. Rachel Ball reported on the Little Red School House project where Jeremiah Rogers, Katie Frisk, Caitlan Smelley, Brushea Daniels and herself volunteered. Turned out to be a success.
- B. Caitlan Smelley reported that everyone who signed up to help with Registration at the High School showed up.

AGENDA ITEMS

A. Review Bylaws

- a. Rachel Ball is chair of the Bylaws Committee. The Bylaws Committee will look over and make amendments of the MYC Bylaws to bring to the council to have voted for change.

B. Present Final Objective Statement

- a. The MYC voted 11-0 to change the Objective Statement.
- b. "Establishing a successful program that identifies key issues that increases awareness of those issues faced by today's youth."

C. Youth Corps

- 1. Caitlan introduced changing the name of the Youth Corp to TAG Team. TAG stands for Teens about Government. The Youth Council will call on the TAG Team as needed for projects such as Little Red School House, Youth Summit and City Day. TAG Team will be used for four specific projects that the MYC needs to address.

D. Love Me Campaign

- 1. Replace the "Love Me" campaign with the Big Brother Big Sister Program. Caitlan explained the importance of using a program that has already been established like BBBS which mentors younger youth. Possible Art Auction was discussed to help raise the money needed to bring the program to Burleson. The MYC will need to ask community members if they would support an art auction and possibly get the Art Department at the High School involved.

E. Boo Bash

- 1. Caitlan and Kellye informed the MYC on Boo Bash that is approaching in October. Volunteers are needed to help decorate for the parade and help with the Costume Parade.

F. Teen Court

Applications were passed out

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Caitlan Smelley announced the removal of Felicia Bennett. She had 3 unexcused absences which violated the absent policy. She is no longer a member of the Mayor's Youth Council, with only eleven remaining members.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned by Chair Caitlan Smelley at 8:05 p.m.