

MINUTES
FARMINGTON/FARMINGTON HILLS
COMMISSION ON CHILDREN, YOUTH and FAMILIES
May 5, 2022
Community Room, Farmington Hills City Hall,
31555 W. Eleven Mile Rd., Farmington Hills, MI. 48336

- 1) Call to Order 6:00 pm.

Meeting was called to order by Bette Rose at 6:04 p.m.

Members Present: Tammy Luty, Bette Rose, Ed Cherkinsky, Marie Samacki, Sharon Snodgrass

Liaisons Present: Andrew Morche, Jim Nash, Tanya Murphy

- 2) Approval of Agenda

Sharon Snodgrass approved the agenda, seconded by Ed Cherkinsky and all approved.

- 3) Approval of April 7, 2022 Minutes

Sharon Snodgrass approved the minutes, seconded by Ed Cherkinsky and all approved.

- 4) Youth Division Update

No one was in attendance to present an update.

- 5) Issues Committee Update

Marie gave an update from the Tuesday issues meeting. The group planning the Tech/Career night met and the vendor list was mostly finalized, she had received a couple of additional questions and would finalize the list end of day Friday. The group will be meeting on May 15th at 2 p.m. to prepare the folders for the event. The event has been widely publicized and we are hoping for a good turnout. We have over 21 vendors that will be attending as of the meeting date.

- 6) Call to Action Update

Ed reported that the paperwork had been signed and Todd Lipa would be coming to the meeting to pick up the check from our commission that evening. Todd showed up later in the meeting and thanked the group for the money and said it would be put to good use at CARES. The Call to Action Update will be removed from future agendas.

- 7) Spotlight Show Update

Sharon has the web page for our commission updated. She asked about a contact for the

Farmington Youth Assistance Program as the email and phone number that was listed on the web page were not valid. Several members said this group was still active and would investigate helping her get correct contact information.

We discussed if the city would be able to take some pictures at our upcoming Tech/Career night that we could share on our web page of events the commission has organized. Sharon said she would reach out to check.

Sharon also wanted to let the commission members know of a very informative video that is about fire and home protection on our website. Please review this video as it contains valuable information for community members.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=A1nrN3eBdvs&list=PLIbFm_RG9JPqGo51T9X2A5bYbEoNXXqRB&index=1

7) Volunteer Recognition Program

No new update as this event is not planned until October.

8) New Business and Announcements

Andrew Morche – From the city of Farmington Public Safety gave an update about the award recognition program they just held. They recognized a seven year old who helped to save his grandma during a serious medical emergency. Other awards were also presented at this event.

He also talked about the pathways grant that would improve walkability to and from schools. They have applied for this grant and will find out in November if we won.

Jim Nash – They are looking forward to the Tech night event and discussing the job shadowing and summer internships they have available. Some of these opportunities are in civil and environmental engineering

Tanya Murphy – The YMCA is gearing up for summer camps for FPS students. They are also going to offer Camp Riley at Gill Elementary again this year. Camp Riley helps students who have fallen behind to catch up on learning loss. They will also be at the Tech/Career night because of job opportunities they have available.

Ed Cherkinsky – The check for Call to Action was \$8,128.57 this money will be used for CARES alcohol/drug program.

Tammy Luty – The list of commission members will be updated with some new emails and members.

She also discussed the meeting she was invited to with the city to represent the commission. The city has hired Sports Facilities Company to provide the City Administration and City Council with recommendations to improve operations, optimize facility usage, and review programs and services to ensure a sustainable future for the Department of Special Services. Tammy mentioned that she did discuss the need for the busses for the after-school program at this meeting since it is important for our committee. She also talked about more enrichment

opportunities for students as the schools have cut many of these programs over the years. She also shared a few updates of what other commissions discussed at this meeting with the group.

10) Public Comments

None

11) Adjournment

6:36 pm.

Marie Samacki motioned to adjourn, and Sharon Snodgrass seconded, all in favor.

All future meetings will start at 6 p.m. in the Community Room, Farmington Hills City Hall,

June 2, 2022

September 1, 2022

October 6, 2022

November 3, 2022