

## Youth Advisory Committee Meeting

Monday, August 14<sup>th</sup>, 2017

5:30 pm at Youth Center Conference Room

**Present:** Ema Smith (Chair), Jeremy Tuthill (Vice Chair), Julia Sharapi (Secretary), and Findley Holland

**Absent:** Selim Boukabara, Honora Hammett, and Hunter Whaples

**Staff:** Alison Longworth, Liaison

Ema Smith called the meeting to order at 5:36 pm.

### Old Business

- 1. July Minutes:** Approved
- 2. Youth Forum Update:** YAC is still waiting for a reply from Principal McNeill. The committee will begin the PowerPoint presentation, which all members have access to via Google Docs. Topics presented will include what YAC is, how people can apply for/contact the committee, YAC's mission and accomplishments, community service and other beneficial opportunities, and YAC's levels of involvement. Topics of presentation will be delegated to YAC members via the GroupMe.
- 3. Liaison Reports:**

Ema Smith – Advisory Board on Education (ACE): ACE did not have a meeting this past month

Findley Holland – Community Relations Advisory Board (CRAB): CRAB has requested that YAC submit ideas for skits/scripts on how youth interact with police to present at their youth forum. YAC wants more information on what CRAB wants to accomplish with this forum before they undergo this task. Findley will email CRAB asking for specifics on what they are looking for.
- 4. Web addition to greenbeltnmd.gov/YAC:** Jeremy Tuthill needs to submit his member bio. Findley Holland needs to resubmit her member bio. YAC members need to send a headshot or have their picture taken at the next YAC meeting to add to the member page.
- 5. Voting age public meeting update – Council August Meeting Agenda:** Alison Longworth passed out information packets on this issue, they included YAC's reports and surveys, CRAB and ACE's reports, and previous Council discussion. Depending on the decision Council reaches at the meeting, YAC will have to take different courses of action. If Council decides to amend the charter, YAC will need a cohesive plan to get unregistered 16 and 17 year olds registered. Alison Longworth will ask the Board of Elections on how to register properly, YAC could possibly try to register people at Eleanor Roosevelt High School. If Council decides to use a referendum question, YAC will need to campaign. Actions will include posters, slogans, using the News Review to spread the message, and going door to door.
- 6. Mission suggestions:** If YAC members want to submit a mission for consideration, they will need to by August 28<sup>th</sup>. YAC will vote on the mission statement after this date.

- 7. Letter to local governments:** Laura Furr has confirmed she is fine with having her contact information on the letters. YAC will begin by sending letters to the municipalities they have already listed after YAC members peer edit the letters.

### **New Business**

- 1. August 15<sup>th</sup> is #cityhallselfie day:** YAC took a selfie to contribute to #cityhallselfie day.
- 2. Community service – Bike Rodeo 9/23 9 am – 12 pm, Beltway Plaza:** YAC will discuss further at September meeting.
- 3. Committee Initiated Discussion:**
  - NLC Conference: Findley Holland and Ema Smith will attend. Other YAC members will confirm if they can or cannot attend by the next YAC meeting.
  - YEF Conference: Ema Smith attending this meeting in Cleveland, Ohio. The purpose of the meeting was to address recommendations gathered by the NLC economic mobility task force. There was a presentation about how Cleveland government has expanded on economic opportunities, which empathize supporting diversity. Congresswoman Marcia Fudge talked about how this all related to government at the federal level. YAC discussed how financial education in high schools is inadequate now. Ema Smith suggested a possible ACE sponsored finance club at Eleanor Roosevelt High School.

Ema Smith adjourned the meeting at 6: 39 pm.