

Minutes of the Meeting of the Youth Council

Wichita, Kansas, September 15, 2008

Monday, 7 P.M.

Marcus McNeal calls the meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance was participated in by all Youth Council Members, Staff, and Guests.

Minutes from the meeting on August 18 approved.

Awards and Proclamations

Thanks were given to the Social and Special Projects Committee for the party held after the parade.

September Birthdays were announced.

Public Announcements

Ambassadors for Wichita needed on October 12th from 5pm-9pm for the League of Kansas Municipalities. If you are interested in being an Ambassador or participating in: a Crime Summit on November 8, planning a Community Wide Youth Day Celebration for May 2009, or a Scarecrow Building Contest on September 28, contact Michelle Stroot for more information.

Career Preparation Committee spoke about creating a Job Readiness handbook. They hope to have it finished by January.

Jackson Shaad discussed the book drive and asked everyone to bring either two middle-school aged books to ship to a school in New York or to bring any book to send to schools here in Kansas. An email will be sent out with more information.

Jackson also gave an update on the mentoring program in schools around Wichita and the opportunity to help with a fourth grade class. If anyone is interested, contact Jackson.

Patty Stuever discussed award opportunities. Visit studentleadership.usd259.org to learn more about these opportunities.

Drew Papadelis thanked everyone for attending the Social and Special Projects Committee event.

Minhchau Truong discussed "Mushing for Myanmar," a benefit concert. A flyer was available at the meeting. Contact Chau for more information.

Marcus McNeal discussed the "Use Another Word" Campaign to encourage students to choose less offensive words, sponsored by Diversity Kansas. Marcus will provide a flyer at the next MYC meeting.

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Leadership Committee spoke on having a connection between schools through students. More information will be provided at a later date.

The Leadership Committee presented a scavenger hunt to bond as a youth group. More information will be decided and presented at a later date.

Mina Truong discussed the Nike-Reuse-a-Shoe project, in which students would bring old shoes to recycle on October 25th. Kay Johnson spoke further about the project. Youth Council decided to further explore the project.

New Council Business

Minhchau Truong spoke about the Central Kansas Podiatry Association. Gently used shoes would be collected at several schools in Kansas through October 25th, which is National Make a Difference Day.

Marcus McNeal entertained a motion to take part in the Central Kansas Podiatry Association shoe drive, as well as tentatively take part in the Nike-Reuse-a-Shoe program.

Motion approved.

Michelle Stroot discussed using money from the Mayors Youth Council and the Regional Prevention Center/Mirror Inc., by request of Mayor Carl Brewer, to send three MYC members to the National League of Cities in November.

Marcus McNeal entertained a motion to approve funds from the Mayors Youth Council for two members and funds from the Regional Prevention Center/Mirror Inc. for one member.

Motion approved.

Marcus McNeal proposed the Walk for Unity. MYC would walk together as a team on October 12th at Central Riverside Park. Youth Council t-shirts would be worn.

Marcus McNeal entertained a motion to take part in the Walk for Unity.

Motion approved.

Email will be sent out to confirm details.

Adjournment

Marcus adjourned the meeting at 8:30 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Anna Hurst