

YOUTH ADVISORY BOARD

Minutes

January 17, 2009

Members Present: Megan Levy, Davis Allen, Kyra Daniel, Kianna Daniel, Gabriel Lopez, Christopher Dall, Darnesha Adams, Felicia Fotsch, and Caroline Jordan.

Members Absent: Commissioner Margaret Stinnett.

Staff Present: Susan Simpson

Guests: Erica Werder

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Christopher Dall at 9:07 a.m.

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ACTION: Gabriel Lopez made a motion to approve the minutes. Kyra Daniel seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

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ITEMS FOR AGENDA FROM BOARD MEMBERS

Kyra Daniel asked to add a report on her National Honor Society project.- item 6b.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Christopher Dall gave a brief report on the cut-out photo's at the First Light celebration. The event was not a success because the street was too dark to make pictures, the cut-outs were dark and not secure enough to hold up against the wind. He thanked everyone for coming and trying to make it work. He would like to see YAB try again at the birthday celebration which is up for discussion under Old Business.

OLD BUSINESS

Christopher Dall reviewed the committees for the Meet in the Street event. For publicity the members are Felicia Fotsch, Caroline Jordan, and Christopher Dall. Those members making booth contacts for health/wellness, and high school SADD chapters, etc. are Darnesha Adams, Kyra Daniel and Kianna Daniel. Megan Levy, Davis Allen, and Gabriel Lopez will contact Scott Graham at the Police Department for the drunk driving course. The Meet in the Street event is scheduled for Saturday, May 2. Our workshop will be held from 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. All members need to be present at 9:30 a.m. to help various groups with set-up. Ms. Simpson will continue to work with the Chamber of Commerce for approval and location.

The next item of business was a discussion of the Party of the Century for the Town. The birthday party will be held on Friday, February 20 from 4-8 p.m. at the Ledford Center on the Seminary Campus. The group talked about whether they were interested in trying the cut-out photos again at this event. Everyone was unanimous in wanting to try again. Ms. Simpson will contact Kara Louise and let her know of the groups decision. Members requested that a

location be selected and prepared in advance. That the cut-outs be secured and that proper lighting was available. Everyone was in agreement to still donate the money raised to the Interfaith Food Shuttle for their backpack buddies program.

Several members paid for the brick paver which will be placed in the plaza at the new Town Hall. Other members agreed to bring their money by Town Hall or to the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

The first item of business was a discussion of the information provided on the TeenFest Foundation. The foundation was established to develop teen leaders in the community. There annual event is a talent showcase where youth perform an original work heralding substance-free and violence-free themed messages. Members discussed whether they could work up a talent/message and participate in the local showcase. The group was excited about the prospect and Darnesha Adams volunteered to attend the next TeenFest meeting which is at Wake Forest-Rolesville High School. She will gather any pertinent information and email it to the group. Christopher Dall asked members to email ideas for their message around to each other. Several members mentioned that the TeenFest 2K9 competition was during spring break and seven members stated that they would be gone during that time. Ms. Simpson asked all members to check dates and make sure before committing to this event that they could all participate. It sounds as if many can not.

The last item of business, Kyra Daniel informed the group of her National Honor Society project of raising money for Aids relief in Kenya. During February or March, any member of the public who eats lunch or dinner at Applebee's will get a % off their meal and a certain % will be donated to this cause. Ms. Daniel will bring flyers for the event at our next meeting or email them to the members if the date is before our February 21 meeting. She asked each members to distribute the flyers at their schools, churches, etc.

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ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Simpson, Secretary

Christopher Dall, Chairman