

## **YOUTH ADVISORY BOARD**

Minutes

February 21, 2009

**Members Present:** Davis Allen, Kyra Daniel, Kianna Daniel, Gabriel Lopez, Christopher Dall, Darnesha Adams, Felicia Fotsch, and Caroline Jordan, and Commissioner Margaret Stinnett.

**Members Absent:** Megan Levy

**Staff Present:** Susan Simpson

**Guests:** Allie Brewer

### **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Christopher Dall at 9:05 a.m.

### **MINUTES**

**ACTION:** Darnesha Adams made a motion to approve the minutes. Kiana Daniel seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

## **ITEMS FOR AGENDA FROM BOARD MEMBERS**

None.

## **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

Christopher Dall mentioned the Party of the Century and that he could not be there. He did hear that everyone that attended enjoyed the event and the board raised \$150 for the Interfaith Food Shuttle specifically the "Backpack buddies" program. Ms. Simpson mentioned that gives the group a grand total of \$183 with what they raised at "First Light."

## **OLD BUSINESS**

The first item of business was a review of committees for the spring event. Ms. Simpson reported that Officer Graham with the Wake Forest Police Department would not be able to run the "Drunk Driving" course for us this year. Ms. Simpson stated that she found out through Officer Graham that not only is Meet in the Street having their annual celebration on May 2, but that Hoops for Wake Forest was also having their annual 3 on 3 basketball tournament that same day on Brooks Street. All officers will be working at both events. Ms. Simpson stated that since the "drunk driving" event is 90% of our event and without an officer she would feel uneasy with the teenagers running the obstacle course by themselves. Also, it will be more difficult to get into and out of the parking lot at Fidelity with Brooks and White Streets closed off for traffic. Some members said that they would not be comfortable running the event without an officer. Some members asked what the "Hoops" event was and about volunteering at it. Davis Allen said that Hoops already has there groups and that he would want the group to do something that is meaningful. Felicia Fotsch mentioned the Herb Festival and maybe volunteering there. Davis Allen again said that just volunteering to help at an event was not doing something meaning to him. He wants the group to "make a difference." Caroline Jordan asked if the group would want to just have a booth at Meet in the Street? Kyra Daniel and Felicia Fotsch both said that they

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would be willing to offer face painting for the children at the event and Chris Dall said that the group could charge maybe a \$1 and continue to donate the proceeds to the Interfaith Food Shuttle. Commissioner Stinnett told the group that they need to concentrate on one thing! She praised them for the work they have already done with the Centennial celebration with the Christmas parade, First Light, and the Party of the Century. She reminded them that this had been an unusual year because of the Centennial and they had been called on to be involved in many of the activities thus far. She did not want them to over commit. After some additional discussion, the group decided to have a booth at Meet in the Street with the face painting and donate again to the "Backpack buddies" program through the Interfaith Food Shuttle. Caroline Jordan, Felicia Fotsch, and Kyra Daniel volunteered to do the face painting. Chris Dall and Davis Allen will help with setting up the booth and taking care of tables and chairs. They also said that they could help if the group wanted to use stick on tattoos. Gabriel Lopez will take care of getting the brochures and other information on the Food Shuttle programs. Ms. Simpson suggested that someone with the Interfaith Food Shuttle come to our April meeting to talk about their programs so that the board can answer questions at the booth. Ms. Simpson also said that the group might present the check to the Food Shuttle at their May meeting. Ms. Simpson will discuss the booth idea with the Chamber Director and make sure the change will be OK.

Ms. Simpson reminded the four members who have not paid their \$10 for the brick paver that they need to do so by the end of the month. They can bring it by Town Hall or put it in an envelope with Ms. Simpson's name on it and place it in the night deposit box.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

The group celebrated Kyra Daniel's birthday with cake furnished by her family.

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**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Simpson, Secretary

Christopher Dall, Chairman