



Wauwatosa, WI

Youth Commission

Meeting Minutes - Final

7725 W. North Avenue
Wauwatosa, WI 53213

Wednesday, March 12, 2025

6:15 PM

Lower Civic Center

Regular Meeting

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 6:23 PM by Josie Marsho.

ROLL CALL

Present 16

- Commissioner - Student Eva Barth
- Commissioner - Adult Jean Bikomeye
- Commissioner - Adult Kelly Burk
- Commissioner - Student Aundrea-Claire Dixon-Jones
- Commissioner - Student Owen Colvin
- Commissioner - Adult Kristin Hagen
- Commissioner, Chair Lance Isaacs
- Commissioner - Student Guy Johnson
- Commissioner - Student Matthew Jaworski
- Commissioner - Student Lincoln Johnson
- Commissioner - Student Brendan Reardon
- Commissioner - Adult Kay Lorenzen
- Commissioner - Student Josephine Marsho
- Commissioner - Student Olivia Wilke
- Ex-Officio - Police Department Liaison Dan Kane
- Commissioner - Student Benjamin Ruzicka

Excused 6

- Commissioner - Student Nathan Close
- Commissioner - Student Winter Hamilton
- Commissioner - Student Maddie Ullsperger
- Ex-Officio - Alderperson Andrew Meindl
- Ex-Officio - Recreation Dept. Liaison Matthew Vanderkamp
- Commissioner - Adult Emilie O'Connor

REPORTS FROM EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS

1. Common Council [25-0436](#)
No report.
RESULT: INFORMATIONAL ONLY
2. Police Department [25-0437](#)
No report.

RESULT: INFORMATIONAL ONLY

3. Recreation Department [25-0438](#)

Mr. Vanderkamp was unable to attend but sent a report indicating that the Rec Department has employment opportunities available and gave information regarding the latest activity guide.

RESULT: INFORMATIONAL ONLY

4. School Board/District Representative [25-0439](#)

No report.

RESULT: INFORMATIONAL ONLY

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Awards Committee [25-0440](#)

Plan to review applications following the meeting. Plaques will be ordered as in the past, and a reception honoring the awardees with light refreshments will take place prior to the May meeting.

RESULT: INFORMATIONAL ONLY

2. Birthday Mailings [25-0441](#)

Mailings continue to be sent out.

RESULT: INFORMATIONAL ONLY

3. Membership Committee [25-0442](#)

The ad we have used in the past will be reviewed. Ms. Burk will send to the NAC.

RESULT: INFORMATIONAL ONLY

4. Publicity [25-0443](#)

WYC ad was placed in the Tosa West playbill.

Josie Marsho reports regarding a job shadow opportunity in Environmental Sustainability with the Friends of the County Grounds. Josie also distributed a poster advertising the Friends of the County Grounds Storybook hikes, which features information about the hikes and features WYC as a sponsor. Members can feel free to distribute the poster and share the information.

Discussion regarding prior request from APPSE teams to contribute as the teams prepare to head to Nationals. Members discussed the amount of any donation considering budgeting changes and possible future battle of the bands event. Owen Colvin moved to approve a \$100 donation to the East APPSE team and \$100 to the West APPSE team. Seconded by Ben Ruzicka. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

RESULT: APPROVED

MOVER: Owen Colvin

SECONDER: Benjamin Ruzicka

Aye: 15 Barth, Bikomeye, Burk, Dixon-Jones, Colvin, Hagen, Isaacs, Johnson, Jaworski, Johnson, Reardon, Lorenzen, Marsho, Wilke, Kane, and Ruzicka

Excused: 4 Close, Hamilton, Ullsperger, Meindl, Vanderkamp, and O'Connor

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- 1. Youth Event- Battle of the Bands [25-0444](#)

Unfortunately youth unable to receive commitment from three bands and due to equipment issues, members decided to postpone the event until a later date. Andrew Meindl was unable to attend however he sent in a report indicating that he had his first meeting with the Tosa Tonight Board and discussed the possibility of a future partnership between WYC and Tosa Tonight. Mr. Meindl passed on information of a contact on the Tosa Tonight board with whom WYC should connect in the future to discuss this potential partnership.

Members discussed the possibility of hosting this event in 2026 vs. working on a different project to fulfil the need for safe, free programming for youth in Tosa. Eva Barth suggested WYC put together a survey that would be sent to youth and filled out during Advisory period requesting input from youth regarding what types of events or programming youth would like to have available in Tosa. The survey will also serve as advertisement/recruitment effort for WYC. Group discussed possible questions for the survey. Ms. Hagen will prepare the survey and share with members for additional input. Members will work to distribute the survey to their school communities upon finalization.

Members discussed offering an incentive for participating. Ben Ruzicka moved to approve an expense of up to \$100 in order to offer up to five (5) ten dollar gift cards to local businesses to random survey participants. Seconded by Aundrea-Claire Jones-Dixon. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

RESULT: APPROVED
MOVER: Benjamin Ruzicka
SECONDER: Aundrea-Claire Dixon-Jones

Aye: 15 Barth, Bikomeye, Burk, Dixon-Jones, Colvin, Hagen, Isaacs, Johnson, Jaworski, Johnson, Reardon, Lorenzen, Marsho, Wilke, Kane, and Ruzicka

Excused: 4 Close, Hamilton, Ullsperger, Meindl, Vanderkamp, and O'Connor

- 2. Sub Committee for Battle of the Bands [25-0445](#)

See discussion in "Youth Event - Battle of the Bands" above.

RESULT: INFORMATIONAL ONLY

- 3. School Resource officer [25-0446](#)

No report on this item.

RESULT: INFORMATIONAL ONLY

NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Sponsors for Youth Event [25-0447](#)

See discussion in "Youth Event - Battle of the Bands" above.

RESULT: INFORMATIONAL ONLY

- 2. Formation of the nominating committee [25-0448](#)

Ms. Burk will serve as the chair of the nominating committee with two youth to assist with the committee's work. Committee's nominating slate to be presented at the April meeting.

RESULT: INFORMATIONAL ONLY

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: April 9, 2025 6:15 PM

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 7:43 PM.