

Des Plaines Youth Commission Minutes - October 28, 2024
PLCC- 515 Thacker, Des Plaines, IL 60016

Call to Order - The meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m.

Roll Call - Burton, M.Cullotta, Dankowski, Doerr, Neil, Sebastian

Absent: Ludwig, Al-Naemy, & R. Cullotta

Also Present : D Keegan, Superintendent Dr. Amadei

Public Comment - None

Previous Minutes of September 23 , 2024 - They were corrected and amended by commissioners.

Review of:

Intergenerational- Blanket Making - Sebastian - October 14th - Had 26 kids. 3 to 4 to a team. 20 blankets were made. S. Samuelson suggested if it is during the day, could possibly get more volunteers. Blankets were donated to the Wings program. Some Thanksgiving cards were also made.

Harvest Hoot - M. Cullotta/Neil - 10-19 (city event) Oakton College - Cullotta and Neil were present at the event and each brought a volunteer. Was a beautiful day out and a very busy event. We ran out of Pumpkins and the city had replenished right away. We are hoping to get more volunteers next year.

Trunk or Treat - Doerr / Neil - 12 to 4 - October 26th PLCC lot - Doerr, Neil and 3 helpers were present at the event. Great weather. 700 attendees including kids. Someone even had a haunted house on the back of a truck. There was also a contest on which display was best. All had to click on the QR code and vote. DPYC won for affiliate organizations!) Doerr had used up candy and some random items from the closet. We did a photo and a craft with huge image cut out of superheroes. Flyers were distributed for Holiday Hoopla. *Note: No candy next year. Parents and kids liked little toys.*

Cards for Thanksgiving Baskets- Dankowski/Burton - Dankowski said we need 300 cards. They will be done by 11/20/24 - D62 students, DPYC, Key Club, NHS, FC, etc. Ms. Cengel is handling this for D62 and Dankowski is collecting from other groups.

Intergenerational -Veterans Dinner- November 14th - FC - 5:00 pm- Dankowski A motion of \$150 to purchase snacks from Sam's by Neil /M. Cullotta. Motion was carried.

**** Intergenerational - Gingerbread Houses-** December 2, 2024 - (per S.Samuelson) (Wal-Mart) - will need additional allocation of funds- Wear Ugliest Holiday Sweater - 3:45 until 5:45 - D.Keegan ordered 20 houses and some were broken when received.

Will reorder some to replace broken ones. The extra houses will be kept for extras. Since Sebastian did not use all \$298 allocated to the blankets went towards the Gingerbread houses. Also the \$400 allocated from the Middle school was never used and given for gingerbread houses. Intergenerational was corrected to original \$700.

Tree Lighting - MS - Neil- December 6th -Neil will check for ornaments. Motion made to order paper by Neil/Burton. Motion was approved. D. Keegan will order red and green tissue paper for \$20.

Holiday Hoopla - December 14th - Sebastian - DPPL - 12:30 until 3:00 p.m. - The snacks that are not used at the Intergenerational will go to the Holiday Hoopla. Sebastian will order more prizes, food and games. Frisbie Seniors have volunteered to help, as well as 20 boys from the MW basketball team.

Budget - Keegan - *Total balance for 2024 after expenditures? Mary made own budget to see budget detailed*

DPYC Tablecloth - R. Cullotta/Neil - Funds already allocated and approved- \$300 table cloth, clips and sign holder

Prizes for student volunteers - Neil/Burton - speakers - Neil suggested to give out 3 speakers total. Burton donated one speaker.

Sent info to Keegan for 2 speakers from Amazon \$125 each. A motion of \$250 to purchase JBL speakers for volunteers from Amazon by Burton/Sebastian. Motion was carried..

Sharing Table - D62- Sharing Table Update- Burton - Nothing needed.

Dr Amadei said 400 Russian kids are attending D62 schools and there are no books in their language. Requesting \$1,500. If books come through, they will be stamped with the name DPYC. Per Deb must be billed by 12/2/24 before the end of year. \$1,000 was allocated to D62 foreign language books. A motion of \$1,000 to purchase Foreign Language books from Burton/Neil. Motion was carried.

Frame from Walgreens - Could not be found. Original allocation was \$ 20.00- *We will discuss it at November meeting.*

Amazon -Name Plates were \$21 - A motion of \$25 to purchase name plates from Amazon for meetings by Doerr/Burton. Motion was carried.

Recorder - Neil suggested a recorder for secretary so minutes will be with correct info. A motion of \$80 to purchase Recorder for minutes from Amazon by Burton/ Neil. Deb suggested Otter and AI but then M.Cullotta would have to use her cell phone.

Other Business: Thank you note from MW ELS students for Homecoming pizza was distributed.

Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 7:15 pm. **The next meeting is Monday, November 25th 2024. (Was mentioned to be on the 18th, but it will be held on the 25th, as originally scheduled.** - *Please email Dankowski if unable to attend*