

**Des Plaines Youth Commission Minutes- February 23, 2026- 6:00 pm.  
Prairie Lakes CC- 515 Thacker - Des Plaines, IL.**

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**Call to Order** - The meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m.

**Roll Call** - Burton, M.Cullotta, R.Cullotta (Via Phone), Doerr, Dankowski, Ludwig, Neil & Sebastian

**Absent:** Al-Naemy

**Also Present :** D. Srocki (City of DP), Dr. M. Amadei (Superintendent D62) T. Mazzone (D62), Ludwig - Volunteer

**Public Comment** - Welcome guests /introductions- No Comments

**Previous minutes of January 26, 2026-** M.Culotta, Secretary - Minutes were distributed. Motions made by Neil/Doerr to approve minutes. Motion was carried.

**Budget** - Dylan S.

**Upcoming Events:**

**Intergenerational:**

March 19th - Puzzles 3:45 until 5:30 - Pizza and Puzzles.

April 20th - Painting- 3:45 until 5:30 - Popko - Painting Project

**Middle School Bingo** - Library - Feb. 6th- *Doerr/ Sebastian-* 3rd year - Prizes included T-shirts from the DP History Center, candy donated by R. Cullotta, and some other fun items. The kids really enjoyed bingo, especially getting to chat and hang out—some even stepped up to help run the game. We had a great turnout with over 50 kids and 13 volunteers.

**Feb. 16th- Trivia/Lunch** - *Neill Dankowski (G Ludwig/R Ludwig)* - Seniors at the GenCen teamed up with 24 MW students (44 total) for food and trivia. S. Samuelson put together questions on TikTok, social media, and some history. Everyone enjoyed the food, had a great time, and came up with some pretty funny team names. Wrapped up by 1:15.

**Fun Fair** - *Dankowski , Neil, Burton - Updates* -

Attendees have already signed up, including Key Club and D62.

DPYC with the Big Wheel and hand out fidget spinners. We'll have a magician, JG's Reptile Road Show, face painting, Football throw, and card making. There will also be a scavenger hunt and button making. Srocki will have Derrek taking pictures and event details added to the Des Plaines Journal. Burton will have numbers made for the tables.

**Other Business: Date for YES** - Fall Dates

**Adjournment** - Meeting was adjourned at 7:00 P.M

**Next meeting is March 30th, 2026**