

CITY OF KENOSHA – MAYOR'S YOUTH COMMISSION
February 14, 2024

A meeting of the Mayor's Youth Commission was held on Wednesday, February 14, 2024 in Room 301 of the Kenosha Municipal Building.

The following Commissioners were present: Chairperson Tammy Conforti, Detective Tommar Franklin, Alderman Bill Siel, Commissioner Nikki Payne, Commissioner Aishia Nunez, and Commissioner Rayven Robinson. Commissioner Jada Moss excused.

Chairperson Conforti called the meeting to order at 6:37 p.m. with a quorum.

It was moved by Alderman Bill Siel, seconded by Detective Tommar Franklin, to approve the minutes of the meeting held November 8, 2024. All in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

1. Review of 2nd Quarter Nominations:
 - Motion by Alderman Bill Siel to approve any nominee receiving an average of 15 points or higher and seconded by Detective Tommar Franklin. There will be 17 students receiving awards at the March 4th Common Council meeting. Motion carried unanimously.
2. Brick Memorial Dedication Discussion:
 - June 26, 2024 is the date set for the Brick Memorial Dedication.
 - Nikki Payne will be able to attend.
 - All in favor of the attached Brick Memorial Invite. [MYC Brick Memorial Ceremony](#)
 - Discussion on dress for the event - colors this year will be Black, White and Green.
 - Discussion on inviting Jada Moss to sing at the event. Barb to reach out to Jada. Nikki Payne suggested Willow Newell, should Jada not be available.
3. Discuss creating a matrix for nominations for the quarterly MYC Awards.
 - Suggestion to add the first part of our score sheets to the call for nominations email to teachers, etc. so they have more information on what the commission uses for scoring. [Sample Award Cover re: Nominations](#)
 - All in favor of adding more information to the MYC Information Letter.
4. Discuss new interest in joining the MYC Commission.
 - Review of MYC Members and Terms. The makeup of the nine member Commission is one alderperson, one police officer, three additional adult members of the community, and four students under the age of 23.
 - Tammy Conforti's Term ends on October 31, 2024. Her last meeting will be October 9, 2024.
 - For members under the age of 23, there are two current vacancies and one will expire on October 31, 2024.
 - There is a need to communicate the expectations of joining this commission. [Expectations for MYC Members - DRAFT.docx.pdf](#)
 - Discuss recruitment opportunities:
 - Build a liaison with teachers or counselors that nominate. Bill Siel to contact counselors.

- Contact Tanya Ruder from KUSD to see if we could get information into their Virtual Backpack.
- Contact the Library to see if we could hang a flyer of information about the MYC there.
- Building onto Kindness Week on Facebook
- Contact KUSD to participate in orientations at the schools - consider a booth option.
- Consider doing a thank you letter to the teachers who nominated kids throughout the year.
- When we send out a call for nominations email - include information about joining the commission.
- Table this discussion until the next meeting to discuss further.
- New Applicant review- Tammy Conforti to call the applicant.

Other Discussion:

- Awards Presentation will be held on March 4th at the Common Council Meeting.
 - Chairperson Tammy Conforti will do the Open Intro and read Bios
 - Alderman Bill Siel will handle the awards and the ribbon presentation
 - Commissioner Nikki Payne and Detective Tommar Franklin will be readers
 - Commissioner Rayven Robinson will work in the hallway

It was moved by Commissioner Nikki Payne and seconded by Detective Tommar Franklin to adjourn the meeting at 7:34 pm. Motion carried Unanimously.