

At a regular meeting of the Orange County Youth Commission held on Tuesday, July 21, 2020 beginning at 7:00 p.m., in the Office on Youth, 146 Madison Road, Orange, Virginia. Present: Danby Oliver, Felisa Payton, Stacy Burseson, and Alisha Vines.

Mrs. Vines called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. with the above noted members present.

RE: READING AND APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES
Nothing to approve at this time

RE: YOUTH COUNCIL
Mrs. Vines did not provide an update on the Youth Council as September 15th is their first meeting of the year.

RE: OLD BUSINESS

RE: YOUTH COMMISSION BY-LAWS

Mrs. Vines distributed the current by-laws with noted suggested updates to the membership present. A discussion was held on the proposed changes and they will now lay on the table for a vote at the September meeting.

RE: NEW BUSINESS

RE: CURRENT OR UPCOMING PROJECTS AND/OR PROGRAMS

RE: VIRGINIA FOUNDATION FOR HEALTHY YOUTH (VFHY) PROGRAMS

Mrs. Vines described the focus of the new VFHY grant that started July 1st, 2020. In the past, the focus had been on tobacco prevent, however, the new grant will focus on obesity prevention. This will be done with nutrition education as well as scheduling activities to get kids and parents up and moving.

RE: CHILDREN'S SERVICES ACT

Mrs. Vines reported that the program is still going strong. She also addressed the need for Parent representatives for both the Family Assessment and Planning Team (FAPT) and the Community policy and Management Team (CPMT). We have been struggling to fill these positions and are now offering a \$50 stipend per meeting to help encourage participation.

RE: VIRGINIA JUVENILE COMMUNITY CRIME CONTROL ACT (VJCCCA)

It was reported that the OOOY has received a grant to help provide facilitator training for the evidence-based programs Restorative Justice and Thinking for a Change. More information will be provided as dates are set for the trainings. Mrs. Vines also stated that the community service placements are starting to slowly take kids again and counseling for the kids referred by the courts are still occurring.

RE: ORANGE COUNTY SCHOOL AGE CHILD CARE (OCSACC)

Mrs. Vines reported that the OOOY is preparing to open a fourth childcare site at Lightfoot Elementary school to help with providing more student spots for care needed. The start-up costs will be funded by CARES Act grant funding. Additional funding will be received from the federal government to the three operating sites to help with COVID related expenses and provide some stability to the financial well-being of childcare sites across the Commonwealth of Virginia.

RE: GARVIS HUFF OUTSTANDING YOUTH AND YOUTH ADVOCATE AWARDS

OOY staff is trying to figure out the best and safest way to recognize the 2020 nominees since the program was cancelled in March due to COVID. A discussion followed and it was decided to try to do something in the media. More will come as we work this out.

RE: AFTER-PROM

A discussion was held on the ways to possibly raise funds for the After-Prom in the event it can be held this school year. Several ideas were discussed, and we will revisit them in the next month or two to nail down some dates if possible.

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As of right now, Prom is scheduled for Saturday, April 17th. OOY staff will start looking at venues that can host the event for that weekend. More to come on this event.

RE: NEW BUSINESS

No new business to discuss

RE: MEMBERSHIP

Nothing to discuss at this time.

RE: ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting of the Youth Commission will be held August 18th, 2020 starting at 7:00 PM. There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted

Alisha Vines – Office on Youth Director

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