



CITY OF SALEM, MASSACHUSETTS

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Mayor

Salem Youth Commission Meeting Minutes (Rescheduled Meeting) January 30, 2016

Attendance:

Aiyana Lilly, Collin McLean, Michael Quigley, Felicia Pierce, Jared Lubas, Laura Assade, Samuel Hoang

Meeting Called to Order

The meeting called to order at 6:02pm

Introductions & Public Comments:

Youth Commission members took the time to reflect on former President Obama's farewell speech and the Inauguration of President Trump. Also, took the time to share feelings with regards to new executive orders that have been passed since the Inauguration.

Previous Meeting Minutes:

Collin made a motion to accept December meeting minutes, Michael second the motion. Motion passed and minutes were approved.

Cont. of Shoebox Service learning Project:

Commissioners expressed wanting to involve the schools more. Maybe organize better so that each school is responsible for 1 or two items. Potentially have competitions and involving more students to participate in collecting and packing items. Commissioners were excited about their first project as they were able to pack over 150 boxes for families in addition to toy donation.

Current/Future Projects:

Student Government Day:

Jared mentioned that last time he spoke with Ms. Mansfield she did not oppose to passing the project along to the Salem Youth Commission. She mentioned it was difficult to make the event a full day due to lack of participation. Youth commissioners thought that we would keep the same schedule except add a mock trial for the 2nd half of the day which will allow participating youth to

work on a city issue and find a solution. Vice Chair Jared Lubas suggested we start thinking about getting food donations, a venue to host lunch and mock trial location (either city council chambers or School Committee chambers. Last year about 12-15 students participated in SGD. We want to be able to get information out to potential participants as soon as possible. Flyers will be made and other members will get necessary information prior to the next meeting.

City Council Meetings:

Youth Commission Chair, Nick Angeramo at the last meeting mentioned to all commissioners that we should start thinking about attend council meetings which are held the 2nd and 4th Thursday of every month. It was suggested that a list of all the remaining meetings go out in list form which will allow commissioners to sign up for at least one meeting and attend for an hour. Other suggestions were made to have it be mandatory for SYC members to attend and bring back feedback to the meeting. Members will be required to get a form signed to get credit for attending the meetings.

Announcements:

- There was an announcement for commissioners to look in to the SAIL Program
- Students were invited and informed about Upcoming Generation Games Feb 3-5th
 - Youth commissioners were interested in how the events were being advertised and wanted to make suggestions to parks and rec; asked to invite P&R Dept. to a YC meeting.
- Salem Award foundation invited Members to participate in their 6 word memoir. Information was given to them about how to write one and where they can submit their own.
- Volunteer Opportunity: SYC members were invited to attend a volunteer meeting to discuss First Books opportunity. The meeting will be held 2/13/17 at Union Hall – Colonial Road.

Next Meeting:

February 27th, 2017 120 Washington 3rd Floor conference room

Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 7:10 PM