



# Dane County

## Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

### Youth Commission

*Consider:*

*Who benefits? Who is burdened?*

*Who does not have a voice at the table?*

*How can policymakers mitigate unintended consequences?*

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Wednesday, August 21, 2024

5:30 PM

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**A. Call To Order**

*Staff present: Megan Meinen.*

The meeting was called to order at 5:39 p.m.

**Present** 6 - MEGHAN BENSON, ASHLEY PLETZER, CHELSEY TUBBS, CHRISTINE BENEDICT, PRAGNYA VELLA, and KIERSTIN HUELSEMAN  
**Absent** 4 - EMILY MASCIOPINTO, REGINA FULLER-WHITE, HENRY FRIES, and JEREMY THORTON

**B. Consideration of Minutes**

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MINUTES FROM APRIL 17, 2024

**Attachments:** [2024 04 17 Youth Commission Minutes](#)

A motion was made by BENEDICT, seconded by VELLA, that the Minutes be approved. The motion carried by a voice vote 6-0.

**C. Action Items****1. Election of Chair**

*Vice Chair Riley called for nominations for Chair of the Youth Commission. Benedict nominated Vella. Riley called two more times for nominations and received none.*

**A motion was made by TUBBS, seconded by BENEDICT, to elect Vella as chair. The motion carried by a voice vote 6-0.**

## 2. Election of Vice Chair

*Chair Vella called for nominations for Vice Chair of the Youth Commission. Benedict nominated Pletzer. Vella called two more times for nominations and received none.*

**A motion was made by BENSON, seconded by BENEDICT, to elect Pletzer as Vice Chair. The motion carried by a voice vote 6-0.**

## D. Discussion Items

### 1. Dane County Youth Assessment Update and Interest in Dissemination Work Group

*The survey administration is complete and the overview report is near completion. Brian Koenig will present the results at an upcoming meeting. The Youth Commission will discuss identifying more ways in which it can encourage youth to be involved in the dissemination the results (perhaps via social media or infographics).*

### 2. Youth Commission Priorities for Upcoming Year

*Priorities identified included middle school mental health, a referendum for Madison schools this fall, learning if and how the Youth Commission can advocate for more By Youth For Youth funding, and a desire by this body to better understand its charge regarding what it can and cannot do -- especially in the advocacy space.*

## Attendance Update

*Chair Vella's internet connection was lost at 6:44 p.m., resulting in the body no longer having quorum.*

**A motion was made by HUELSEMAN, seconded by BENEDICT, to adjourn. The motion carried 5-0.**

## E. Reports to Committee

## F. Future Meeting Items and Dates

Next Meeting: Wednesday, September 18, 2024 at the CCB and Via Zoom.

## G. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda

## H. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law

## I. Adjournment

*Minutes submitted by Megan Meinen pending Commission approval.*