



Dane County

Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

Youth Commission

Thursday, April 12, 2018

5:30 PM

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A. Call To Order

Present 7 - MATT VELDRAN, Chair MEGHAN BENSON, Vice Chair BRIDGET MANIACI, BARBARA DAVIS, KEMA WILLIAMS, FRANCESCA MASCIOPINTO, and KELLY DANNER

Absent 2 - NICK ZWEIFEL, and ARAM DONABEDIAN

B. Consideration of Minutes

1. [2017](#) 2018_0301 Youth Commission Minutes
[MIN-560](#)

Attachments: [2018_0301 YC Minutes](#)

A motion was made by VELDRAN, seconded by DAVIS, that the Minutes be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 7 - VELDRAN, BENSON, MANIACI, DAVIS, WILLIAMS, MASCIOPINTO and DANNER

Absent: 2 - ZWEIFEL and DONABEDIAN

C. Action Items

1. By Youth For Youth grant recommendations (BYFY committee)

BYFY committee representatives Anna Hildebrand, junior at Edgewood high school and Sophia Johansson, sophomore at Madison West High School recommended awards for the 2018 BYFY grants on behalf of the BYFY committee and provided a summary of the grant-making process (see BYFY Overview attachment). Thirty-three applications were received totaling \$88,746. Twenty grants are being recommended for funding totaling \$30,500 that will directly impact 4,145 youth and their families.

Anna and Sophia reviewed the priorities, application format, scoring process, and the consensus decision-making used by the committee to reach funding recommendations. BYFY considered DCYA data, input from community representatives and their own experiences and observations in selecting priorities. In making award decisions, the committee considered whether applicants addressed the priorities, the quality of the application, the number of youth to be served, the delivery location (needed to be in or for Dane county youth), the impact on youth, other funding sources and how effectively dollars would be used. Some programs received less funding than requested because the BYFY committee attempted to meet the dollar amount requested considering the quality and merit of the proposal. Other factors taken into account included whether the grant was clearly written by youth, whether the project had other funding and whether the program could happen on less funding. Youth representatives were contacted with follow-up questions as a part of the decision-making process. Applicants that were not funded received feedback as to how they could improve their applications. Sarah and Anna responded to several questions about BYFY funding decisions. When asked what they learned from the process, both identified becoming more civically and socially engaged, vocal and confident. The Commission commended BYFY for their thorough, thoughtful and diligent service to the community. The BYFY Award presentation ceremony is on April 23, 2016 at the United Way of Dane County, 2059 Atwood Avenue, Madison.

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BYFY Funding Recommendations for DCYC and Overview

Attachments: [17-18 Funding Recommendation Overview for DCYC](#)
[BYFY Funding Recommendations for DCYC 4.12.18](#)

Discussion that there is a trend toward the grants supporting basic needs, like food scarcity, and that the Commission should advocate with policy makers to ensure youth basic needs are met to allow BYFY grants to be used for enrichment programming. Commission recognized youth are identifying needs and electing to support real issues in their community. The Commission will not override their selected priorities, but will advocate as needed outside of this process for youth basic needs to be met.

A motion was made by VELDRAN, seconded by DANNER, to approve the \$14,000 in YC funding allocated to support the BYFY recommendations (See BYFY Recommendations Attachment for details). The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 7 - VELDRAN, BENSON, MANIACI, DAVIS, WILLIAMS, MASCIOPINTO and DANNER

Absent: 2 - ZWEIFEL and DONABEDIAN

2. [2017
ACT-716](#) Resource Guidelines for Daneyouth

Attachments: [Resource Guidelines for Daneyouth](#)

Guidelines for adding resources to the daneyouth.org web page were presented and adopted without change. The policy will be accessible via a link at the bottom of the web page. An e-mail at daneyouth@countyofdane.com has been created that will go to the Youth Commission staff and be monitored regularly. Posters and cards with a guidance letter are being distributed widely.

A motion was made by BENSON, seconded by DAVIS, to accept the posting guidelines as written. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 7 - VELDRAN, BENSON, MANIACI, DAVIS, WILLIAMS, MASCIOPINTO and DANNER

Absent: 2 - ZWEIFEL and DONABEDIAN

D. Presentations

E. Reports to Committee

1. Youth Assessment update

Benson reported that the DCYA Steering committee reconvened. The survey administration was completed on schedule. The issue of student screens blacking out was diagnosed to be a WIFI issue. Schools that staggered their administration and asked students to put phones on airplane mode had fewer problems. Data prior to screens blacking out was saved and useable. Sun Prairie data may need to be weighted. K12 Associates worked closely with schools during administration to proactively address this issue. A follow-up letter will be sent to school administrators thanking them for participating and advising them that technical issues are being addressed for future surveys. Schools are receiving their data reports. The full data set will be ready in May after cleaning by Dr. Espelage's team and PHMDC. The countywide data table report will be ready soon thereafter (May) and the Executive Summary will be ready by July.

F. Future Meeting Items and Dates

Next meeting is scheduled for May 3, 2018

G. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda

H. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law

I. Adjourn

7:00 p.m.

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