

City of Norwich Youth Board Meeting October 6, 2021

Board Members

Present: H. Graves
S. Whaley
K. Thompson
M Telesky

Also:

A. Testani
S. Stewart
A. Telesky
P. Marks

The meeting was called to order at 6:30

September 2021 Minutes: H. Graves motioned to accept the September 2021 minutes, seconded by M. Telesky, the motion was passed.

Board Membership: Patrick Marks and Abby Telesky applicates to be members of the board have been forwarded to the mayor for appointment. It's hopeful that this will be done at the October Common Council meeting.

Potential Winter Programs: A. Testani listed wrestling, bowling, softball, cheerleading and a Winter Fun club are all set with instructors for our Winter programs. We need instructors for volleyball, soccer, baseball and tumbling. Some names were suggested for those activities in need of instructors.

Besides the above-mentioned programs one trip was suggested to Woods Valley Ski Park for an afternoon of tubing. A. Testani reached out to Woods Valley. Cost would be \$25 per person for a 2-hour tubing session. We would sponsor the trip on 1/17, the Martin Luther King holiday or over the President's Weekend in February.

M. Telesky expressed concerned with parent pick-up after wrestling. Due to COVID issues, will the school allow parents to line the hallways waiting for their child to finish practice. A. Testani will reach out to the school district for guidance.

H. Graves also suggested we limit bowling to 3rd graders and above. Those younger have a hard time with the bowling balls.

New Business: It was suggested by M. Telesky that we look into some form of mass communication, like the school uses, to broadcast messages to the participants in our programs. This could be used to send out closures and cancellations just like the school.

K. Thompson suggested offering a movie night, like those over the summer in the park at the library. The winter movies could be in the meeting room at the library. It was suggested one a month and possibly follow a theme for that month.

S. Whaley asked if the Youth Bureau would be taking part in Trunk or Treat again this year. We will be. Several board members volunteered to help again. Trunk or Treat will take placed on 10/30, the same day as the Pumpkin Fest and the YMCA Halloween parade.

Having no further business before the board, H. Graves motioned to adjourn at 7:15 PM, seconded by M. Telesky and the meeting was adjourned.

The next Youth Board will be Wednesday November 3rd, at 6:30 pm in the City Hall meeting room.