

City of Norwich Youth Board Meeting December 7, 2022

Board Members

Present:

**P. Marks
J. Drelich
J. Hagenbuch
M. Loughren
B. Burton
S. Whaley**

Absent:

**M. Telesky
H. Graves
J. Eddy
K. Hazen
K. Thompson
S. Stewart
Student Reps:
A. Telesky
J. Parker**

Also:

A. Testani

The meeting was called to order at 6:32 PM by vice-chairperson B. Burton.

Old Business

P. Marks made a motion to approve the meeting minutes for October and November, seconded by S. Whaley. Motion was approved by all.

A. Testani presented an update on the Winter Recreation programs. We will have an in-person registration on Thursday December 8th from 6:30 to 7:30 PM at the Robert Mason Recreation Center.

Registrations to date have been very good. To-date we have 177 kids registered into 208 programs. That's the largest number of kids registered since 2015.

New Business

2022 YTD Budget - November YTD budget numbers continue to run below plan.

Town Billings – The town of Plymouth and Preston have yet to pay their 2022 bill. Both have been sent late notices.

A. Testani relayed a conversation he had with Zachary Meseck, Town of Preston Supervisor. Mr. Meseck questioned the YB Director's billing, stating that we were double billing the towns. Mr. Meseck was told because we receive funding from foundations and other organizations, that the YB was double billing the towns for the programs. A. Testani explained to him that money received from the foundations and other organizations was used to fund the trips offered by the YB. These funds were separate from the expenditures that are used to calculate the billing for the towns. Mr. Meseck was comfortable with the explanation and would sending in his bill shortly.

Wrestling Trophies – M. Telesky asked if the city had any place to display trophies the Pee Wee Wrestling program has won over the years. The board has suggested city hall, the ice rink, or the schools.

President's Day Movie – The YB works with the Colonia Theatre to offer a movie President's Day free of charge. In 2022, the YB received funding from the city, which allowed us to offer a box of popcorn with the ticket to the movie. This year we will be offering only the ticket. J. Hagenbuch made motion to move forward with the annual President's Day movie, seconded by S. Whaley. Motion was passed by all.

Change in time and location of meetings – As the group has outgrown the conference room at City Hall, it was suggested that we move the meeting to City Court. It was also discussed moving the start time of the meeting back to 6:00 PM. After some discussion, P. Marks made a motion to move the meeting to City Court with a start time of 6:00 PM, the motion was seconded by J. Drelich. It was understood that some board members are also coaches in our winter programs, making it difficult for them to attend. Motion was approved by all.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:52.

The next Youth Board meeting will be Wednesday, January 4th at 6:00 PM at City Court.