

City of Norwich Youth Board Meeting May 4th, 2011

Present: J. Williams
B. Burton
C. Sastri
T. Strachman

Also: R. Mason

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 by B. Burton.

2011 Election of Board Officers: Following discussion C. Sastri motioned to have the 2011 Youth Board Officers include T. Strachman (Della Porta) Secretary, B. Burton Vice Chair and H. Graves Chair. J. Williams seconded the motion, a vote was taken and the motion was passed.

March 2011 Minutes: C. Sastri motioned to accept the March minutes as written seconded by J. Williams and the motion was passed.

Summer Programs: Schedules of 2011 summer programs and swim lessons were distributed. New programs include pickleball, which will be held two days a week. Dance instruction will be held again, with age groups and days changing. \$700 of the total cost was received by a grant from the Council of the Arts. The remaining \$1,300 will be expended from the Youth Bureau revenue account so there will be no cost to the taxpayer.

Program sign ups will be held Wednesday June 1st, 6:00 at City Hall. Board members were asked to assist that evening, the monthly Youth Board meeting will follow.

All swim activities including lessons, swim team and open swim will be moved to the High School because of needed repairs at Kurt Beyer. B. Burton asked how that would affect the Youth Bureau budget. R. Mason replied that there may be some savings, in that the lifeguard staff may not be as large to run that facility and depending upon evening turnout, hours could be reduced. R. Mason related that the school system and the YMCA were both more than willing to work with the Mayor, City and Youth Bureau to insure aquatic programs continued to be available throughout the summer. Additional savings to the City may be realized by not having to conduct daily maintenance at Kurt Beyer.

Earth Day Celebration: Gary and Merrie Beadle from Beadles Restaurant and Lounge will once again host an Earth Day Celebration on May 14th. Proceeds from the event will be donated to the Youth Bureau to assist in programming and trips. Last year \$1,800.00 was donated from the event.

Summer Trips: Summer trips have not yet been planned, but a schedule will be available June 1st during program signups. Funding for last years trips came from the R. C. Smith Foundation and Beadle's Earth Day Celebration.

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:25 PM

The next meeting of the City of Norwich Youth Board will be Wednesday June 1st 7:00 PM following summer program registration.