



Agenda
Village of Arlington Heights
Youth Commission
Buechner Room-33 S. Arlington Hts. Rd., AH

September 23, 2021
6:00 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. Minutes from February 13, 2020

IV. REPORTS

V. OLD BUSINESS

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Student Snow Removal and Grass Cutting Program
- B. Teen Job Fair

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

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**Youth Commission
9/23/2021**

Item: Minutes from February 13, 2020

Department: Health and Human Services

ATTACHMENTS:

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**Village of Arlington Heights
Youth Commission
Minutes from February 13, 2020**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Healy called the regular meeting of the Arlington Heights Youth Commission to order at 6:06 p.m. in the Commissions Room at Village Hall.

II. ROLL CALL

Present:

Chair Matt Healy
Officer Taryn Gombar
Chyrel Moore
Connor Neill
Kendall Fahnoe
Alya Patel
Alice Son

Absent:

Jonathan Kho
Grace Baldino
John Robinson

Also Present:

James McCalister, Director of Health & Human Services
Melissa Cayer, Resident

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Commissioner Fahnoe to approve the January 16, 2020 minutes, and seconded by Commissioner Patel. Motion passed by unanimous consent.

IV. REPORTS

Arlington Heights Memorial Library

Commissioner Son reported that the HUB just completed finals and the library is preparing for summer.

Park District

Chair Healy reported that the Park District had four supervisors at the Teen Job Fair, and has hired some teens to begin training as lifeguards and support staff. The Park District had 75 people interested in upcoming jobs. The teen event on January 31 was a success at the new Arlington Ridge Center, and parents are asking for more programs like this one.

Police Department

Officer Gombar reported nothing new in the Police Department. She said the department is possibly hiring seven or eight Police Officers.

Students

Commissioner Neill introduced himself as a new member to the Commission and shared that he is a freshmen at John Hersey High School. He stated that he completed swimming and will begin water polo in the spring. Commissioner Neill shared that he is a Scout working on an Eagle Scout project, which is building 16 benches for the Arlington Heights Park District. He said nothing new at Hersey High School to report.

Commissioner Fahnoe reported nothing new occurring. She said they have four days off school due to a Teacher's Institute Day and President's Day.

Commissioner Patel stated the Winter Formal was last weekend and Prom is coming in a couple months. SAT exams are also coming soon.

V. OLD BUSINESS

Let IT Snow Update

Mr. McCalister reported 16 teens are signed up for the program, and new teens were added thanks to the Teen Job Fair. He said they are still looking for teens to cover the north end of town.

Officer Gombar reported that flyers are posted at Hersey High School.

Chair Healy stated that the Park District is sharing the open Youth Commissioner positions with lifeguards currently working indoor pools at the Arlington Ridge Center, as some teens live in the north end of town.

Teen Job Fair Wrap Up

Chair Healy reported that the Teen Job Fair went well, and a special thanks to Commissioner Son for leading the preparation.

Commissioner Son reported 17 businesses attended the Teen Job Fair. She said feedback received was positive from parents, teens and businesses. She shared that in the HUB, a room is dedicated to teens to prep before interviewing with the businesses. She said 27 teens utilized the prep room. Commissioner Son said the Fair had 267 attendees, and the placement of flyers was helpful.

Commissioner Moore stated that numbering the tables would be helpful. She said parents were happy, and there was a space in the room for parents wait while their teens were speaking with the businesses.

Commissioner Son shared that it was discussed to create an area outside the Hendrickson Room designated for parents, and asked the Commission for their input. The Commission agreed that parents like being part of the event and having a table for parents to gather. Commissioner Moore stated having a designated area in the room allows parents to support the teens through the process.

Commissioner Son stated there was feedback from businesses that they would like a resume drop off box at each table. She also shared that a parent/staff member said her teen brought copies of her resume but did not know what to do with the copies. The Commission discussed most businesses were just handing out applications or instructing teens to apply online. Commissioner Neill proposed that the Hub in the Library could teach teens how to prepare a resume.

Commissioner Son reported that the Library discussed moving the Teen Job Fair to March from February to see if that increases the number of attendees. Chair Healy stated training for summer jobs at the Park District starts months in advance and he will ask the Park District if having the Teen Job Fair later in February would still be enough time to train new hires for the summer. Commissioner Fahoe stated later in February or early March would be helpful due to the break between sports ending/beginning. Commissioner Neill said that making sure information is shared on the morning announcements at the schools is important. Commissioner Patel stated she did not think to look for a job in February. Commissioner Moore stated advertising the Teen Job Fair earlier will help and to begin promoting the event in December.

Mr. McCalister shared that the welcome table was a new edition to the event and worked well. He said in past years the Commission sent thank you letters to the businesses and encouraged them to come back. Commissioner Son stated the Library will issue the businesses a survey asking for feedback and thanking them for attending. Mr. McCalister said the event was advertised in the Daily Herald, which was helpful.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

Summer Ideas for a Group Project

Chair Healy shared that the Commission could organize a summer event for teens. Commissioner Patel stated a drive-in movie would be fun. Chair Healy said that last year's Star Gazing event was successful where teens could go see the eclipse in January. He stated another idea could be Battle of the Bands at a Park District location. Commissioner Neill shared that an obstacle course at Rec Park or a climbing wall would be fun. Commissioner Patel said a movie by the pool is another idea. Commissioner Son said that at the Teen Job Fair, Pump it Up shared that they have giant inflatables for teens. Commissioner Neill stated that they could come up with five ideas and send a survey to students in the high schools to see what teens would like to do. Chair Healy asked the Commission to come prepared with ideas to the March meeting.

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Commissioner Patel and seconded by Commissioner Moore. Motion passed by unanimous consent and the meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.