Commission on the Status of Children and Youth Meeting Notes

Meeting: Commission on the Status of Children and Youth

Date: November 19, 2026

Attendees: *Callie Rekas, Andrea Alvarez, Treyanna Moten, Sidra Luna, Katie Vasanth*

1. Roll Call

A. Introductions - Sidra, Andi, Callie, Katie, Crystal

2. Approval of Agenda and Minutes

A. 6:10 p.m.
   a. Motion to approve:
   b. Second:
   c. Motion: Passed
B. Request for additional agenda items No

3. Reports (if any)

A. Teen Liaison-Maryjane
   a. Have not heard back
B. Guest Speakers-Leah
   a. We now have a Susie's Place contact. Crystal will share with Leah.
   b. Crystal sent email intro to introduce LEah to Sarah and Erin at Exodus
C. Community Outreach-Andi
   a. An organization similar to Stepping Stones is opening in Bloomington
      i. We would like to have her to a meeting as a guest speaker
      ii. Contact is Christine Banister
   b. Waiting on
   c. Sharing holiday wish lists on the Facebook page
      i. CASA, CCL, Winter Wonderland
D. Chairperson's Report-Callie
   a. Winter Wonderland - Dec. 12 from 12-3 p.m. CSBM would like help with the hot cocoa bar and cookie decorating
      i. Andi can do both
      ii. MaryJane 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
      iii. Katie 1-3 p.m.

iv. Sidra 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
v. Callie can do both

b. SWAGGER Award - time to start planning
   i. Date and venue - we have used Switchyard Park in the past but looking for a new venue for 2027
      1. The Warehouse
      2. Western Skateland
      3. Hoosier Alley
   ii. Would like to add a DJ to the event
   iii. Summer Launch Party featuring the award winners

c. Sponsorship funds for 2027 and budget
   i. Crystal will ask about budget

E. City Liaison Report-Crystal
   a.

F. Public Comment, if any
   a. NA

4. Old Business

A. RFTR debrief
   a. We read to over 650 students at 13 elementary schools
   b. We had 22 volunteers
   c. We held two story hours at Morgenstern and MCPL
   d. Thinking about who children would consider celebrities
      i. theater , BPD, BFD, Wildcare
   e. We should start the planning sooner next year.

5. New Business

1. SWAGGER Data Collection
2. February library event planning/fundraising
   a. Callie followed up with Libby about booking the library for Feb. 20
3. Community Updates
4. December meeting
   a. Our Dec. meeting is Dec. 15 - discussed moving the meeting start time later due to conflicts.

6. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 7:08 p.m.

Second:

Motion: Passed