

Commission on the Status of Children & Youth

September 19th, 2023

5:30pm

Present: Erin Reynolds, Katie Hopkins, Tatiana Wheeler, Da'Ja Askew, Marissa Parr-Scott

1. Introductions

Katie made a motion to start the meeting at 5:40pm. Erin seconded the motion. We had a new commissioner so we did introductions. We welcome Da'Ja Askew to the commission.

2. Request for additional agenda items

There weren't additional agenda items.

3. Approval of Minutes: August 15th

Katie made a motion to approve the minutes. Tatiana seconded the motion.

4. New Business

The commission reviewed S.W.A.G.G.E.R nominations. Katie gave an overview of the rubric. The commission decided to choose Quentin Farmer for the 9-12 category, J'Leonna Gardner for the 7-8th category, and Jesslyn Robinson for the 3-6th category, and D'Meccio Jones-Opapa for the K-2 category. For next steps, Marissa will send out invitations to the students and nominations. The CRFD office manager is working on getting the food and drinks coordinated. Marissa will create the certifications for the students. Marissa asked the commission to send in the proclamation drafts. The sooner the commission can get this to her the better. The commission decided to divvy up the proclamations. Marissa asked for the commissioners to send them to her by September 26th.

5. Old Business

A. Tabling the MCSC Open Houses (Erin):

Erin wishes that we got information from the schools sooner. Emily said that she had a lot of good interactions at Summit.

B. Teen Commission Liaisons: (Tatiana)

Erin had an idea to invite teens who were nominated from SWAGGER but did not win an award. The Commission discussed funneling these students to the Commission interest form and then a commissioner will reach out to them once an application is made for the liaison position.

C. Read for the Record Aubrey is working on this initiative. Marissa didn't have an update but will send one to the commission.

6. City Staff Liaison Report

Marissa informed the group that the Commission on the Status of Women is helping Toiya with the Young Women's Leadership Summit on November 9th from 10-2pm at City Hall.

7. Community Updates

Monroe County Childhood Condition Summit's theme is belonging. The summit will be on November 1st from 8-3pm at the Monroe Convention Center.

Thriving Connections application is open for families.

8. Adjournment

Katie made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:52pm. Erin seconded the motion.

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