



June Meeting Minutes
June 19, 2018
[NO QUORUM]

Commissioners Present: Matt Hanauer, Donna Bernens-Kinkead, Julie Warren, and Georg'ann Cattelona

Regrets: Shawna Meyer-Niederman, Isadore Torry, Fiora Pizzo and Laura Alford

Absent: Allen Bell

CSCY: Staff Liaison – Rafi Hasan, Sylvie Choinere, Health Projects Intern, City of Bloomington

Guests:

- Vince Isom, Director of IU 21st Century Scholars Program
- Duncun Mathies, Graduation/Retention Specialist for IU 21st Century Scholars Program

Welcome and introductions

- Meeting to order at 5:31 pm

Guests - Vince Isom – requested assistance from the CSCY to recruit and spread awareness in the community for the 21st Century Scholars. [*Vote pending:* [NO QUORUM]]. Vince talked about the 21st Century Scholars Program which is an early commitment college program for low-income students and funds 4 year college tuition, (private or public) with IUB's tuition as the standard. Some key points for this program as that children need to be enrolled in the 7th or 8th grade, and children in foster system can apply after the 8th grade, but they just need to complete the benchmarks. Children who are US citizen or US national, Asylum granted, etc. are eligible to apply (eligibility is based on family income). The purpose of this program is to increase the degree attainment rates of underserved populations to 60 percent by 2025. In 1993, this program was put in place by the state and came to IU shortly thereafter. It is important to note that the majority of the state is eligible for this program, and students in this program have the opportunity to go Abroad once in college, and their tuition is still covered. This program also has the largest student support services at IUB in terms of student enrollment. The program also helps cover the cost of housing, but will not cover specific course fees; essentially the students are going to college for a very low cost. *See attached power point presentation.* Contact Information: visom@indiana.edu

- **Questions - How can we help?**
 - Action Item: Spread the word
- **Questions - How is information getting through the school system, especially those in the free and reduced lunch system? How do we reach out to these kids?**
 - There is potential to invite Vince or Duncan to speak to students. Duncan is part of the outreach team.
 - There are also an opportunity for students to get invited to campus to get information and a tour of campus! Provide tours and invite students to campus
- **Question - what about the kids in foster care? Foster parents are required to attend trainings and education sessions in which a presentation can be done there.**
 - Maybe marketing material or flyers can be provided to parents? Also, an information session could be created about this and parents could receive credit for going since they have to attend various session in order reach a certain amount of educational credits
 - Some potential contacts: YSB, Commissioner Alford (foster parent), Centerstone, CASA, SCAAP
 - Include in newsletter
- **Question - when do parents need to be informed?**
 - They try to get that information out during the middle school, but they also reach out to the Boys and Girls Club, the Indiana Black Expo in Indianapolis
- **Question - When do they need to sign up by?**
 - June 30th
- **Question - Does the income range stay the same or change every year?**
 - It goes by legislative cycle, but relatively stays the same yearly.

Approval of May Minutes

- Unable to approve minutes [NO QUORUM]

City Staff Liaison Report

- Liaison report will include a review of actionable items to ensure that Commission's action are quantifiable in reports to demonstrate efficacy.
 - Example:
 - Vince is using the commission as a platform to reach out to people about the 21st Century Scholars Program. Maybe quantify the number of contacts that are transferred to Vince, the number of foster parents reached, and report on the outcome of the commission's help on the 21st Century Scholars Program recruitment.
 - The Data Committee is providing and aggregating data, which is great, but data interpretation and data analysis could also be beneficial.
- If there are programs/projects, communication is expected from commissioners at least twice between commission meetings
 - Action: Where is the data project in the process for publishing?

- Newsletter - Action Committees, Commissioners will provide information, links, and suggestions, for content by the 15th of each month.

Indiana Youth Institute Youth Worker Café Update

- Discussed bringing in a representative from the Indiana Youth Institute to provide information about the Monroe County specific data! It would be neat to bring other commissions together to provide education on the data related to children in our community. It is important to have people at the table to stir things up. (Background Information: Data was presented at a Youth Worker Cafe session in April, but it was not explicitly explained to tell the public what this information really means.)
- Action item:
 - Provide link
 - Create a google docs that has links for the IYI

Reduction of School Suspensions

- Julie will reach out to other commissions about this and get more information for the next meeting.

Bicentennial Arts Project

- This project is going well. They committee has received BTCC seed money for little art kits that will be placed in different places for children to access. The decision has been made that there only needs to be 9 entries to keep this project going. If there are not 9 entries, the project will be extended for two weeks. If there are still not enough entries, then the funds will be used to host a large event to celebrate the history of Bloomington. (If there are enough entries, the prizes will include cash).
- Opening reception will be held July 27th at the History Center from 5 pm -7 pm.
 - Action Item: Reach out to Camp Rock (Matt)

Bicentennial Teen Roundtable Discussions-Commissioner Torry

- Commissioner Torry is absent.

Continue SWAGGER Awards Discussion (Commissioners Alford, Meyer-Niederman, and Bernens-Kinkead)

- Council Chambers November 9th 6:00pm-8:00pm.
- SWAGGER Award Rubric is still being discussed and reviewed
- **Question - Is there a deadline to have the rubric completed?**
 - The deadline has not been established but maybe by September?

BTCC Update

- BTCC Quarterly Community Gatherings- The next Quarterly Gathering is scheduled for Wednesday, **8/22 4:30-6pm**- This will be an opportunity for the community to give feedback on the annual Monroe County Childhood Conditions (MC3) Summit. The MC3 Summit will be Thursday, December 6, and this year's theme is "Connections." Location for the Feedback session has not been set yet; stay tuned for more information as it gets closer.

- BTCC is hosting a "Viewing and Doing" of [Zero Weeks](#) with the [Indiana Institute for Working Families](#). This is scheduled for **Tuesday, 8/28 5:30pm-8pm in City Council Chambers**. Zero Weeks is about the issue of Paid Family Leave - and the title refers to the fact that the US has "zero weeks" paid family leave
- Childhood Summit will take place on December 6th

Committee Updates

- No information reported for June

Next Meeting – Tuesday, July 17, 2018

Meeting concluded [NO QUORUM]