

## ORANGE COUNTY YOUTH COMMISSION - MINUTES

APRIL 21, 2015

At a regular meeting of the Orange County Youth Commission held on Tuesday, January 20, 2015 beginning at 7:00 p.m., in the Office on Youth, 146 Madison Road, Orange, Virginia. Present: Shirley Irving, Barry Pendleton, Stacy Burleson, Jeffrey Johnson, and Alisha Vines.

Mrs. Irving called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m. with the above noted members present.

RE: READING AND APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

The minutes from the January 20<sup>th</sup> meeting were reviewed and tabled due to a lack of a quorum.

RE: YOUTH COUNCIL

Mrs. Vines, provided and update on the happenings of the group. Upcoming events include:

- I. Helping with the set-up of the 2015 After Prom Celebration May 1<sup>st</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup>
- II. Helping with Michael's Mile on Friday, May 15<sup>th</sup> at Booster Field
- III. Running the kids section of Playin' in the Park on July 3<sup>rd</sup>

RE: OLD BUSINESS

A. Discussions were held on the following completed projects/programs:

I. Virginia Foundation for Healthy Youth

Mrs. Vines informed the membership that the final night of the 10-14 year old Strengthening Families Program is ending this evening. This is the class that was funded by the grant from the Dave Mathews Band Bama Works Fund at the Charlottesville Area Foundation. In addition, this is the class that will be funded over the next three years in the new VFHY grant the office received.

B. Discussions were held on the following current projects/programs:

I. Virginia Juvenile Community Crime Control Act (VJCCCA)

Year-to-date, the Ooy has had the following participation in the Orange County VJCCCA program:

- a. Community Service – 25 placements and 24 satisfactory releases out of 28 total for FY15 – 693 service hours completed
- b. Child Specific Services – 13 placements and 9 satisfactory releases out of 11 total for FY15 – 51 sessions completed
- c. Thinking for a Change – 7 placements and the 14-week class will begin April 28<sup>th</sup>
- d. Substance Abuse Assessments – 12 placements and 9 out of 9 satisfactory releases
- e. Substance Abuse Treatment – 9 placements and 6 satisfactory releases out of 7 total

II. Michael's Gift

Mrs. Vines shared with the membership that the Jailbreak 2015 was held on Friday, April 13<sup>th</sup> and was a success. Approximately \$7,154 was deposited and expenses totaled approximately \$150.00 for a profit of approximately \$7,000. The next event will be Michael's Mile on May 15<sup>th</sup> at Booster Field.

III. Project EXCEL

Mrs. Vines informed the membership that two new coordinators have been hired. Kim Boyarski will lead the programs at LGPS and LGES while Amy Boscoe will lead the UES and LES programs. Both coordinators attended the UES Fitness Night on April 17<sup>th</sup> and said quite a few people stopped by. We hope to get volunteers from attending this event as well as future events.

IV. After Prom 2015

Mrs. Vines informed the membership that the spring fundraiser on April 18<sup>th</sup> called "Lotapalooza" at Orange County High School was cancelled due to a lack of registrations. The office is hoping to do other fundraising for this event such as a car wash. In addition, volunteers are needed for this event. Mrs. Vines also showed the new sponsor poster that is being displayed on our website as well as at the event. Thanks you letters to all donors will be sent mid to end of May so pictures can be included to show sponsors how their generosity impacted our youth.

V. Get Connected Orange

Mrs. Vines discussed the event that the Ooy is partnering with Orange DSS to hold on June 24<sup>th</sup>. The event will be open to the residents of orange to discover all of the resources that Orange has to offer. The organizers are trying to arrange transportation to help those in need. In addition, a light breakfast and lunch will be provided to those in attendance. The office is happy to provide this and it is being funded by a grant co-written by the Ooy and DSS.

VI. 1-2-3 Magic

The office is also happy to announce that another 1-2-3 Magic class will be held May 6<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>. This time the class will be held at Locust Grove Elementary and already has 6 families registered.

VII. Child Abuse Prevention Month

The Ooy was planning to participate in the Blue Pinwheel gardens again this year, however, due to a workers strike; the pinwheels are sitting in U.S. Customs and will hopefully be delivered in the near future. The office still intends to "plant" the garden as soon as they arrive.

RE: NEW BUSINESS

A. Golf Tournament

Meadows Farm Golf Course reached out to the office in regards to holding a golf tournament for our programs. The initial date is set for May 29<sup>th</sup>. After a brief discussion, the tournament will be postponed and another meeting will be scheduled with the tournament coordinator at the golf course. More information will follow.

RE: MEMBERSHIP  
Nothing at this time

RE: CLOSED SESSION  
Nothing at this time

RE: ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting of the Youth Commission will be held May 26<sup>th</sup>, 2015 starting at 7:00 PM. There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted  
Alisha Vines – Office on Youth Director  
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