



COMMITTEE ON YOUTH MEETING
MINUTES

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Assessor
Khaja Moinuddin

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Alisa "Lee" Beattie
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Craig Essick
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Administrator
James C. Barr

Director
Tina Houdek, LCPC

Monday, September 26, 2022

- I. Call to Order: A meeting of the Hanover Township Committee on Youth was called to order at 6:38 pm by Jordan Wildermuth on September 22, 2022 at 250 South Route 59, Bartlett, IL.
 - a. Members Present: Jordan Wildermuth, Bill Henderson, Savannah Widmann, Nazneen Hashmi, Ariel Correa
 - b. Members no present: Corey Elton, Rob Wojtowicz
 - c. Staff and Township representatives present: Alisa "Lee" Beattie, Tina Houdek, Youth and Family Services Director
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Public Comments: None
- IV. Reports:
 - a. Trustee Liaison report- George Rosner dedication of the lower level of the Izaak Walton Center on October 8th at 3pm. George was a retired teacher from Streamwood High School (SHS). He is the individual that started. Lee went to the Izaak Walton Center for the Mariachi event and it was an extremely nice event.
 - b. Director Report – Director Houdek provided the Committee with several department highlights.
 - Youth and Families Services hosted National Night Out at the Izaak Walton Youth Center on August 2 after a two-year hiatus due to the pandemic. Nearly fifty persons attended the event.
 - Youth and Family Services hosted the annual Family Fun Night on August 4 with over 60 persons attending. Thirty backpacks donated by the Department of Human Services were raffled off for youth.
 - Director Houdek and Manager Dickinson attended the ribbon cutting event on August 6 for the unveiling of the improvements at the Izaak Walton Reserve.
 - Director Houdek, Manager Dickinson and Interim Manager Martinez met with Kevin Seal, Family Engagement Liaison from School District U-46 on August 18 to discuss the Community

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Partnership Agreements and the new process of beginning the department's school-based programming.

- Manager Dickinson attended Huff Elementary School "Back to School" event on August 18.
- Staff from the department attended Sunnyside School "Back to School" event on August 18.
- Director Houdek and Human Resources Manager Callahan on August 19 conducted an interview for the Clinical Manager position.
- Director Houdek, Manager Dickinson, and Interim Manager Martinez met with Sunnyside Principal Anrea Gaitan-Bustos on August 24 to discuss school-based programming needs.
- Staff from the department attended the AITCOY workshop on August 25 at Oak Park Township on "The Value of Self-Care."
- Director Houdek met with Nancy Roach-Wilder on August 26 to discuss an Elgin Area Optimist International Chapter and how to collaborate.
- Director Houdek attended the dedication of the storyboard at Walters-Lenoci Reserve on August 27.
- Director Houdek, Manager Dickinson, and Interim Manager Martinez met with Principal Demovsky on August 30 to begin planning school-based programming for this school year.
- For next year, the movie nights will be coordinated to work around neighboring movie nights
- October 28th, Hanover Haunts will be taking place from 4:30-6:30pm from younger to 6th grade students and the older students will be from 6:30-8:30pm
- Cookies and Cocoa with Santa this year will be on December 9th - 5-8pm and more information to follow

V. Unfinished Business: None

VI. New Business:

A. Approval of August 22, 2022, Minutes

- i. Motion was made by Ariel Correa and seconded by Bill Henderson to approve the minutes. Motion Carried.

B. Resignation of Corey Elton

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- ii. Corey placed for her resignation through Director Tina Houdek since our last meeting. Tina has updated the Hanover Township Family and YOUTH Services social media such as LinkedIn and Facebook with vacancies of both the adult and the youth Committee on Youth (COY) membership.

C. Izaak Walton Youth Center Update

- iii. Drop-in youth hours went from 3-6pm on Wednesdays and Thursdays. They are getting a consistent 8-14 students attending the programming. They will add on Saturday programming when attendance/ participants increase at Izaak Walton YOUTH Center programming.

D. New Leaders in Education (NLE) Recognition

- iv. Gifts - almost completed organizing the tumblers, gift cards, godiva chocolates, pens, etc.
- v. Certificate - Tina working on template and ordering
- vi. Schedule - NLE Recognition List of U-46 New Administrators
4 new principals in Township:
Ms. Paula Ek - Principal at Huff Elementary School
Mr. Rajan Sharma - Principal of Glenbrook Elementary School
Ms. Angela Ginnan - Principal at Eastview Middle School
Ms. Kimberly Rudden - Principal of Canton Middle School

Jordan - All of them

Nazneen - Eastview

Rob - Canton

Bill - Glenbrook

Tina - Huff

Target dates - Week of October 17-21st

E. Summit on Youth Violence

Director Tina Houdek shared that the Summit on Youth Violence will take place on November 30th from 1:30pm-4:30pm. Tina was able to confirm one of the speakers that will focus on gun violence. She is looking for someone with the new Red Flag Laws and she is awaiting a

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response from some university professors that she has reached out for support. She has reached over 30 individuals and she is working on the invite list for a Save the Date invite.

The first part of the summit is an introduction and going over results from the symposium five years ago that will be followed by two different presenters. Topics may continue to be red flags laws and flaws as well as support and resources to ensure that violence does not increase.

- VII. Adjournment: Motion to adjourn was made by Bill Henderson and seconded by Ariel Correa. Motion carried at 7:36pm.

Respectfully Submitted by,
Dr. Ariel Correa, Secretary of Youth and Family Services

Next Meeting Date: October 24, 2022—Downey Hall

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