

Youth Council Committee Meeting March 10, 2022 6:00 p.m. Virtual Meeting

- MINUTES -

Present: Councilor L. Hansen, M. Smith, E. Lewis, N. Martin, B. Trimming, C. Newman, A.

Cummins, Q. Tilling, E. Hawes, N. Ritchie, H. Pfeil, A. Johnson

Guests: E. Hansen

Regrets: I. Juac, Councillor L. Tillack

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

o The meeting was called to order by Mackenzie at 6:03 p.m.

2.0 APPROVAL OF ADGENDA

Motion by Niall and Brittney approved agenda.

3.0 APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

Motion by Cole and Brittney approved

4.0 OLD BUSINESS

4.1 2022 Strategic Plan

- Reviewed and Approved
- Events Days and Partners to consider Councillor Hansen suggested to add the Leduc Library as another partner to explore

4.2 Youth Conference Planning Session Update

- Erika attended the first Youth Conference planning session. At this point in time they are still solidifying details of what the Conference will include. Topics of discussion included; life after covid-19, mental health, bring youth together, hobbies, bringing in keynote speakers, booth based, ethnic food trucks etc.
- o Booked November 10th (fieldhouse and 2 other rooms at the LRC)
- They are continuing to look for input from the youth, such as a name for the event



- A musical component such as a talent show or showcase was brought forward as part of this future event. If the committee is interested this could be utilized as a platform for the Creative Expression Pillar.
- This could also be a great opportunity to partner, build relationships and promote this event with the other Youth Councils surrounding community, high school and junior high school student councils or the Boys and Girls Club.

4.3 #Influencers Sub-Committee Update

 Erika shared that nominations are currently open and can be accessed on Leduc's website till April 29th at noon. Advertising and social media posts have begun.

5.0 NEW BUSINESS

5.1 Guest Speaker: Elana Hansen – Volunteer Leduc

- Elana plays a role in connecting community, organizations and volunteers together in the community. Youth Volunteers are important to the community. Volunteering supports emotional wellness, helps others to feel engaged and like they are making a difference in the community.
- Volunteer Leduc would like to partner on future city events and is asking Youth Council to reach and advocate for youth in our community to volunteer. The Community Development Department that has many events throughout they year that they would like to invite youth council to have a voice and youth perspective.
- Citizens of Distinction Awards will be moving to a new inclusive outdoor community event in which the #Influencers Awards will now be a part of called VolunteerFest.
- Noah would like to see more youth in the community to be able to access free training such as first aid or naloxone administration. This is an avenue worth exploring to create more volunteer opportunities for youth.

5.2 Strategic Pillars – Alignment with Calendar and Actions

- Review of the Calendar and Actions
- Community Clean up, Art Walk, Rock the Rails, Main street events,
 Canada Day Parade, Party in Alexandra Park, Music Showcase at the
 Youth Conference, Environment (LEAB) Arbour Day, Pollinator Garden
 Challenge, Teen Takeover

5.3 Sub-Committees

- Please CC' Mackenzie, Niall and Amanda in all emails to help support and assist sub-committees.
- o #Influencers Lead: Erika & Cole, Members: Brittney, Ethan



- Emotional and Physical Wellness Lead: Mackenzie, Members: Noah,
 Quinn, Brittney
- Youth Engagement (& Community clean up) Lead: Mackenzie & Noah, Members: Quinn, Cole, Alexis
- o Creative Expression Lead: Niall, Members: Cole, Quinn, Ethan, Hannah

5.4 Youth Council Instagram

- o Instagram Account: Erika Hawes
- Sub-Committees, please feel free to content with Erika regarding any ideas or posts you would like to see
- o March/April content review April 7th Green Shirt Day, Teen Takeover

5.5 Youth Council Budget

- Budget Reviewed
- Moving forward it will be presented to the committee as items are change/adjusted
- The Committee will consider options on what could be purchased for potential swag ideas

5.6 City Council Update

- Last weekend City Council completed their final strategic planning session for the next 4 years and should be released soon
- Land use planning changes and rezoning in some neighbourhoods
- E-scooters will in in Leduc for a 2-year pilot this summer
- o Grants applied for potential pedestrian bridge and tree planting
- Council Members visited some Indoor Artificial Turf facilities for tours in surrounding communities

5.7 In-person or Virtual Meetings

- All in favour for members to move in-person
- A hybrid approach will remain available for members who require to attend virtually

6.0 ADJOURNMENT

- **6.1** The meeting adjourned at 7:19 pm
- **7.0 NEXT MEETING** Thursday, April 14th at 6:00pm at the Civic Centre