

■ ST. CHARLES YOUTH COMMISSION ■

Monday, March 7, 2022– 6:00 p.m.

101 S. 2nd St., St. Charles Park District

Baker Community Center – Underground Teen Center

D. Clavelli – Youth Commissioner, Treasurer*	M. Kramer, STC PD
J. Diorio – Youth Commissioner	E. Mahan, STC PD
A. Farinella – Youth Commissioner*	J. Keegan, Chief of Police
D. Kelly – Youth Commissioner*	L. Vitek, Mayor
L. Kristofer – Youth Commissioner, Secretary*	STC Aldermen
J. Muenz – Youth Commissioner, Chair*	H. McGuire, City Administrator
D. Saylor – Youth Commissioner*	J. Bruggeman, STC Park District*
J. Stock – Youth Commissioner*	N. Chaney, STC Library*
J. Wallace – Youth Commissioner*	J. O’Neal, TriCity*
	M. Clark, TriCity
	P. Palagi, D303*

*Attended meeting

- I. Meeting called to order @ 6:01 p.m.
- II. Approval of the minutes from the February 2022 meeting. Commissioner Stock made a motion and Commissioner Clavelli seconded; motion carried unanimously.
- III. Treasurer’s Report – Commissioner Clavelli
 - A. Current balance: \$6,380. Three grants have been awarded to date for the current fiscal year.
- IV. New Business
 - A. Funding Requests
 - i. Leadership Studies students from St. Charles East submitted twelve separate funding requests for a total request of \$2,795.00. A motion to approve this total in full was made by Commissioner Farinella and seconded by Commissioner Stock. The following vote resulted and the motion passed: Ayes: Kristofer, Clavelli, Muenz, Farinella, Kelly, Wallace, Stock; Nays: Saylor.

Following are the details for each request:

- a. Pops for Pups - New York Bully Dog Rescue - \$75
- b. STCE Senior Grill Out Fundraiser - American Heart Association - \$150
- c. Senior Keepsake and Planner Project - \$150
- d. Bingo Fundraiser - Friends of the Fox River - \$150
- e. Spikeball Tournament - Hardy Strong Foundation - \$120
- f. Quizzard of Oz - St. Jude’s Cancer Research - \$350
- g. Hope Hustle - Foundation of Mental Health - \$1000 - amount can be reduced to \$500.
- h. Color Run - Funeral Costs for a local family - \$250
- i. Mutts - American Foundation for Suicide Prevention - \$500 requested. This amount was reduced to \$200 as the pavilion fee is likely to be waived by the Park District.

- j. Lift-A-Thon - STCE Special Olympics Basketball Team - \$200
- k. Students vs. Teachers Basketball Game - Every Kid Sports Foundation - \$250
- l. Biking Fundraiser - The World Bicycle Relief Fund - \$400
- ii. The St. Charles Park District submitted a request for \$2,450; however, the amount was amended to \$2,000. A motion to approve the request in the amount of \$1,085 was made by Commissioner Stock and seconded by Commissioner Farinella. The following vote resulted and the motion passed: Ayes: Saylor, Stock, Wallace, Kelly, Farinella, Muenz, Clavelli; Nays: Kristofer. A motion to table the remainder of the Park District's request in the amount of \$915.00 was made by Chairperson Muenz and seconded by Commissioner Stock; motion carried unanimously.
- iii. St. Charles East Post Prom Committee submitted a request via e-mail for \$1,000. Commissioner Stock made a motion to approve \$1,000 and Commissioner Kelly seconded this motion; motion carried unanimously.

V. Correspondence – none

VI. Presentations – none

VII. Reports

A. Liaison Reports

- i. D303 Schools – none
- ii. Park District – Jennifer Bruggeman
 - a. The Teen Center is going to start visiting the middle schools again.
 - b. 5th grade night is coming up soon.
 - c. Teen Summer Camp will be held in this building.
 - d. Masks are not required moving forward.
 - e. The St. Paddy's Day Express Train Ride that was funded by the Youth Commission is taking place in March.
- iii. Police Department – absent
 - a. Chairperson Muenz provided a brief report on behalf of Officer Kramer.
- iv. Library – Nick Chaney
 - a. The library is fully back open.
- v. TriCity Family Services – Jules O'Neal
 - a. The annual gala is coming up at the Q Center later this month.
 - b. Mental Health Awareness month is coming up in May.
 - c. The Wilderness Challenge Program will be offered for students in 8th, 9th, 10th, and 11th grades.

B. Outreach Sub-Committee Report – none

C. Student Consultant Committee Report

- a. We have a new student consultant who is an 8th grader at Thompson Middle School.
- b. Only half of our students were in attendance so we might look to add two more individuals to get a better turnout at the meetings regularly.
- c. The mask optional change was divisive at first. Many continued to wear them initially, but now most do not wear them.
- d. One student reported students have respect for their teachers who are immunocompromised and many wear masks in those classes even if not in other settings.
- e. Students worked on window display ideas in a group. Commissioner Clavelli offered to pay for the supplies needed.

VIII. Old Business

A. Funding Request

- a. Commissioner Saylor made a motion to approve \$1,500 for Cal Lackner with the Boy Scouts which carries over from a request at the February meeting. Commissioner Stock seconded and the following vote ensued with the motion passing: Ayes: Saylor, Stock, Wallace, Farinella, Clavelli, Kristofer; Nays: Muenz; Absent: Kelly.

B. Update on Display Windows

- i. Students worked on this at the consultant meeting tonight.

C. Ongoing marketing – none

D. Impact Award – none

E. Announcements

- i. Chairperson Muenz made a motion to hold the May 2, 2022 Youth Commission meeting at the Baker Community Center in the lower level of the teen center. The motion carried unanimously.

IX. Public Comment – none

X. Adjournment

- A. Chairperson Muenz made a motion to adjourn at 7:44 pm; Commissioner Farinella seconded; motion carried unanimously.

The next Youth Commission meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 4, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. in the Community Room at the St. Charles Police Department located at 1515 W. Main St.

Minutes respectfully submitted,
Lara Kristofer, Youth Commissioner