

# YOUTH COUNCIL-Planning Meeting

## AGENDA

### CITY HALL CONFERENCE ROOM

308 E. Stadium Drive

April 7th, 2014

**Time: 6 pm**

1. Meeting called to order by: Laura Shumate, Chair.
2. Roll call: Ann Fitts, Vice Chair.
  - Members absent: Heather Jakimiak, Dana Suleiman, Logan Booth
3. With a quorum, the meeting shall proceed.
  - a. Pledge of allegiance
  - b. Approval of the minutes of the previous meeting
    - Motion: Mackenzie Woods
    - Second: Isaac Hopkins
  - c. Public Comments and/or matters for consideration
  - d. Unfinished Business.
    - i. Texting and Driving Event- Kevin London will discuss his experience with Street Safe, and how they will help us for Ribfest.
      - VIP is bringing a wrecked car to the Ribfest. A teen driver died when she crashed into a tractor trailer truck. Her family donated the car to VIP. NC Truckers Association will bring a truck and do a presentation of a truck to go over blind spots, and passing.
        - We will work with Johnny Farmer to see where our booth and attractions will be set up. The soccer fields are open to us to use.
        - Isaac will look into getting golf carts (2) from Oak Hills. Transportation of golf carts will need to be taken care of to and from the Ribfest. Vision impairment goggles will be supplied. State and Highway Patrol can be there along with Eden Police Department. Eden Police may check child restraints in cars. A seatbelt sensor or simulator may be available from Street Safe.
        - Members of the council will need to work in shifts and rotate. Approx. 4-5 people every shift. They will need to be there for clean up and set up. Information will be available about VIP, Street Safe and MADD to be given out. A survey is to be sent out about when volunteers can help with ribfest 10am-5pm. Depending on how many members can be there at each shift the SADD club at Morehead may be able to help and sign up for shifts. Heather Jakimiak may be able to help with coordinating with the club.
        - Publicity for our attraction at Ribfest: Laura is to write an article to be put in the Eden's Own Journal. Jacob Scales and Chancey Odontist are willing to help make

flyers and hang them up in school. Heather Jakimiak may be able to get an announcement made at school about the Ribfest.

ii. Recruitment Process

1. Jacob will go over progress so far

-Two online applications have been received. Jacob is to check with guidance to see if they have received any.

-Sierra dropped off flyers at Holmes.

4. New Business

a. Recreation Complex

i. Johnny Farmer and an architect will discuss the upcoming plans for a recreation complex and take input from the council

b. June Social Date

-June 2, 6:30 at Santana's

c. Next adopt a street cleanup

-Tuesday April 15, 2015 at 4:00

d. March of Dimes reminder

-If anyone is interested they may contact Richie Jefferies

e. New attendance policy for meetings and work outside of meetings

-60%, 6/10, or only 4 meetings may be missed before a member is dismissed from the Eden Youth Council. Laura will get back to Mrs. Thompson and Jim Burnett about a statement to put in the by-laws for an attendance policy.

f. **Break into groups** for discussion of future projects here's some to consider:

i. Community Service:

1. Christmas caroling- go door to door or find another location besides a nursing home

2. Raking leaves/community cleanup- interest was shown also for a spring cleanup. Find candidates through churches and organizations. Also to help the disabled with their yardwork.

3. Salvation army (bell and angel tree)- The council would like to pursue this idea again.

4. Humane society volunteering- Members of the council would like to help. An idea was also raised about volunteering at an adoption drive. An adoption drive would take place at Tractor Supply and volunteers would help set up and watch animals from the shelter outside of the store for them to be adopted during the day.

ii. To discuss:

1. Halloween or Homecoming dance? Or winter formal?

-Some interest was shown to revive the idea of a homecoming dance. If this is to be done it needs to be worked on quickly next semester.

2. Teen hangout center- The new proposed rec center at Freedom Park would cover all needs of a teen hangout center and more. Johnny Farmer attended the meeting along with an architect hired to build a new center at Freedom Park. Tom Monroe talked to council council and asked if they had ideas the youth of Eden may be interested in. Ideas given were: rock climbing wall, trampolines, volleyball courts/nets, bowling alley, movie theater/movie screen, and a venue for a dance.
3. Anti-bullying campaign- the idea of spreading the word about anti-bullying in middle and high school students has been reiterated several times, but does not seem to reach it's full potential. An idea was raised to go to elementary school students and present them with an anti-bullying campaign.
4. Texting and Driving event at school (Kevin London)  
-Kevin London has spoken with the fire department, police department and emergency response department to see if they would be willing to engage in a mock crash for the high school students. SADD sponsor at the school and resource officer would be good contacts to get the program going. Wayne Hamilton at Reidsville High School has a strong program.
5. Other Ideas that were brought up for future projects: Camp Carefree 5K, Kickball tournament, fishing tournament, anything that involves competition because it brings a lot of people out to support it.
5. Reports from Committees
  - a. Media Committee- Isaac Hopkins: No report
  - b. Service Committee- Hannah Thompson: No report
  - c. Recruiting Committee- Jacob Scales: No report
6. Announcements
  - a. Next city council meeting: Tuesday, April 15th at 7:30 pm in City Hall.
  - b. Jim Burnett announced that Get Fit Eden will be taking place again this year and volunteers are needed to lead a walk during the summer months of June, July, and August. Every Saturday at 9am and Tuesday at 7:30pm at the track. You may lead as many walks as you would like. Interest was shown in this activity and he will notify someone to leave spots available for the Youth Council.
7. Adjournment  
-Motion: Mackenzie Woods  
-Second: Alex Parsons

This 7th day of April

Laura Shumate, Chair  
Sheridan Hodges, Secretary