



Minutes - April 3, 2024

Call to Order: Call to Order: Chair Wilson called the hybrid Ad-Hoc Rock County Youth in Governance Program Exploratory Committee to order at 4:00 pm.

Roll Call: Committee Members Present: Supervisor Wilson, Supervisor Sutterlin, Supervisor Towns, Mark Dykstra, Max Olson, Mary Gut, Julie Grandeffo

Committee Members Absent: none

Staff Members Present: Erin Conway and Brad Meier

Others Present: Supervisor Rich Bostwick, Pamela Behrndt Larson

Approval of Agenda: Mark Dykstra moved approval of the agenda as presented, second by Supervisor Sutterlin. ADOPTED

Approval of Minutes:

2024-03-13 Ad Hoc Rock County Youth In Governance Program Exploratory Committee

Minutes: Max Olson moved approval of the Ad-Hoc Rock County Youth in Governance Program Exploratory Committee minutes from March 13, 2024, seconded by Mark Dykstra. ADOPTED

Introduction of Guests and New Committee Members: Committee members and guests all introduced themselves.

Citizen Participation, Communications and Announcements: None.

Background Presentation on Racine Youth in Governance Program and Questions and Answer

Session – Pamela Behrndt Larson – UW-Extension - Racine County, Director: Erin Conway introduced Pamela Behrndt Larson, Area Extension Director for Racine County. Pam presented a detailed overview of the Kenosha and Racine County Youth in Governance programs, highlighting both the similarities and differences within each county's program.

Discussion of Other Existing Programs in Rock County with Similar Goals: Supervisor Wilson introduced the discussion, highlighting one of the objectives of the discussion was to prevent program overlap and identify coalition opportunities. The committee discussed a variety of similar area programs.

Review, Discussion and Possible Action:

Review of Background Materials and Discussion of Desired Outcomes from Rock County Youth in Governance Program: The committee discussed, as a group, a variety of outcomes that would be appropriate to consider as they define the overall program parameters and guidelines.

Review of and Possible Action on an early draft of a Rock County version of Racine County's YIG Handbook: The Committee reviewed the early draft of the YIG handbook that included notes with topics for consideration. The committee discussed a variety of program details and topics. Supervisor Wilson suggested that he was going to send a copy of the handbook document to each committee member and ask that they mark up their own copy of the handbook with their ideas for sharing at the next committee meeting.

Discussion and Possible Action on Other Resources and Information to Gather: Supervisor Wilson asked that members of the committee bring any resources to the next meeting that they feel would help the conversation.

Discussion and Possible Action on Recommended Next Steps: No discussion.

Next meeting date and time – To Be Determined: Committee discussion determined that the next meeting date would be Wednesday, May 8th, 4pm.

Adjournment: Mark Dykstra moved to adjourn at 5:35 pm, seconded by Supervisor Towns. ADOPTED by acclamation.

Name of person who took the Minutes: Brad Meier

NOT OFFICIAL UNTIL APPROVED BY COMMITTEE.