

**PROPOSED MINUTES
BY GREENVILLE YOUTH COUNCIL
February 24, 2014**

The Greenville Youth Council (GYC) met Monday, February 24, 2014 at 6:30 PM in the third floor conference room (Room 337) of City Hall. Members present denoted by *, members absent denoted by x.

Lauren Applewhite-*

Daniel Barondes-*

Jacob Barondes-*

Mercy Buckman-*

Taylor Clark-*

Lily Huo-*

Ashish Khanchandani-*

Michael Montalvo-x

Charlotte Overton-x

Mrunal Shah-*

Casey Sokolovic-*

Ritvik Verma-*

Council Member Calvin Mercer-x

Franchine P. Pena, Advisor-x

Cassandra Daniels, Staff Liaison-*

OTHERS PRESENT

Kip Sloan, 5K Representative

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Ashish Khanchandani and followed with the Pledge of Allegiance.

WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

Members of the Council introduced themselves and welcomed Mr. Kip Sloan who is here to assist the Council with the 5K Run/1M Walk event.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Ritvik Verma stated he was accepted at NC State
- Ashish Khanchandani stated he was accepted at UNC
- Lauren Applewhite stated she was accepted at UNC
- Daniel Barondes stated he was accepted at NC State

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: January minutes were not available.

OLD BUSINESS

5K Run/1M Walk

Kip Sloan presented information regarding a 5K Run/1M Walk to the Council. He stated that the Council has to decide on the purpose for the event, meaning volunteers, runners; participants will support a charitable cause. Kip Sloan asked if the Council was still interested in childhood obesity.

Members of the Council agreed that they were interested in childhood obesity; however, there is not a local childhood obesity organization in Pitt County. Kip Sloan further stated the first thing is to determine the charity and learn as much as you can about that organization. The next couple of steps are to develop marketing strategies; as well as determine registration fee, prizes for the winners (trophies, medals), t-shirts, etc.

The Council developed the following list of charitable organizations:

- Food Bank
- The Community Shelter (Homeless)
- Family Support Network of Eastern North Carolina
- Ronald M^cDonald House
- Humane Society
- Hope of Glory Ministries

A motion was made by Ritvik Verma, seconded by Taylor Clark, that the Council sponsor a 5K Run/1M Walk to support the Food Bank. Motion carried unanimously.

Fundraiser - Pirate Fest

Cassandra Daniels stated Pirate Fest is scheduled for Saturday, April 12th, the same day as Pirate Fest. The Council suggested keeping the date and see if the group could submit an application to serve as a food vendor. Cassandra Daniels stated she would check with the City's Public Information Officer regarding vendor prices and bring information to the Council at the March 3rd meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Revised Resolution – Establishing the Youth Council

Cassandra Daniels stated the resolution establishing the Youth Council has been revised by the Human Relations Council to allow appointments from all of the private high schools within Pitt County. The Human Relations Council is requesting the Youth Council consider and approve the suggested revisions.

Members of the Council requested information regarding why the amendment was needed. Cassandra Daniels stated it's important that every student is given an opportunity to serve if they choose. Eliminating the names of the schools from the resolution would keep us from having to make additional revisions if other high schools are established in Pitt County.

The Youth Council reviewed the proposed changes as recommended by the Human Relations Council and suggested that the Youth Council approve the revisions. A motion was made by Ritvik Verma, seconded by Mrunal Shah, to approve the revisions for the resolution establishing the Youth Council as recommended by the Human Relations Council. Motion carried unanimously.

Youth Council Annual Report

Cassandra Daniels stated the Youth Council's annual report will be presented to City Council on Monday, March 17th at 6:00 pm. The report will be given by the Chairperson, Ashish Khanchandani. Everyone is encouraged to attend to show your support.

Adjournment

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mercy Buckman, seconded by Lauren Applewhite, to adjourn until Monday, March 3rd. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Cassandra Daniels

Cassandra Daniels
Human Relations Officer