

Youth Services Committee Meeting
April 11th 2018

Meeting called to order at: 6:57 p.m.

In Attendance: Pat B., John W., Ashley S., Dick B., Dave Y., Natalie W., Sarah M., Emily D., Cal D.

Approval of last meeting's minutes: Motion to approve by Dave Y., motion seconded by Natalie W.

Public Comments: None

Director's Report: Oak Park Township Youth Interventionists, Susan Stearns of the T.I.M.E. program, and Jenifer Roth and Kelly O'Connor of the FACE-It program will be meeting on Friday, April 13 with new adjudication Judges in OP. The township is hosting a Summer Safety meeting in the morning on Friday, April 13. The Township's annual meeting was held on Tuesday, April 10 where the new vision and mission statement was unveiled. Dominique represented the Township on a panel regarding homelessness in the community. The second round of Cargo Circles has started.

Oak Park Liaison Report: No report made as Liaison was not present.

River Forest Liaison Report: Several events are happening in April. A discussion on vaping occurred on Wednesday, April 11 at OPRFHS. Prom Conversation – Being a Strong Parent will occur on April 17 and Raising Resilient and Drug Free Kids will be hosted at Rosecrance on April 25. A new app will be available to youth in D90, D97 and D200 on May 1. This program, Support 4 U, is an app that allows Youth to text a licensed clinician and seek advice if they or a friend have any mental health needs.

New Business: Contract review

- River Forest Police Department ISearch
 - Motion to fund at \$8,750.00 made by Sarah M.
 - Motion Seconded by Dick B.
 - Motion passes unanimously

Rationale: This program focuses on the target group. It is a program that matures with the kids and is highly collaborative.

- Oak Park River Forest High School Intramurals
 - *Motion to fund at \$6,000.00 made by Dick B.
 - Motion Seconded by Dave Y.
 - Motion passes unanimously

*Dick motions to fund this program up at \$6,000.00 with an additional \$2,000.00, (to bring them up to their full requested amount), available if the organization is able to demonstrate measurable efforts to recruit a higher number of underrepresented groups ie: freshmen students, females and at risk youth throughout the reporting period.

- Concordia JiM Program
 - No motion to fund as this program did not submit any reports or corresponding paperwork for FY18.

- Concordia Smart Program
 - Motion to fund at \$84,027.90 made by Dave Y.
 - Motion Seconded by Emily D.
 - Motion passes unanimously

Rationale: This is an extension of a program that started last Summer and the program goals are in line with the goals of the committee.

- Fellowship Community Services Friday Night Place
 - Motion to fund at \$45,782.00 made Natalie W.
 - Motion Seconded by Emily D.
 - Motion passes unanimously

Rationale: This is a worthwhile program that works towards the goals of the committee. Past performance has shown that it is a program that fills a need and is well loved by its participants.

District 97: The committee has recommended the following amounts for the D97 after school programs. They believe that these programs fit the criteria they have outlined in the contract request form and will be beneficial to the participants.

- Hatch Skill Builders
 - Motion to fund at \$9,000.00 made by Dave Y.
 - Motion Seconded by Emily D.
 - Motion passes unanimously

- Holmes Power of Partnerships
 - Contract tabled at this time. The committee would like to see a contract request resubmitted from the school and district taking ownership of this program. The principal of Holmes and an administrator at D97 were contacted about this at the end of March and no contract had been resubmitted at the time of this meeting.

- Beye BOOST
 - Motion to fund at \$4,304.00 made by Emily D.
 - Motion Seconded by Dave Y.
 - Motion passes unanimously

Equity Team

- Rising Readers
 - No motion to fund this program. Program Administrator was unresponsive to questions the committee had regarding the contract.

- Math Academy
 - Contract tabled at this time. The committee has made previous requests with this agency to resubmit a request with some wording changes and an updated contract has not yet been received.

New Business: Committee member Cal D., suggests adding site visits to the agenda so that committee members can get those visits scheduled in and report back at our monthly meetings.

Meeting Adjourned at: 9:02 P.M.