

Evansville Youth Center

Regular Meeting

Youth Center, 209 S First St., Evansville, WI 53536

Monday, April 24th, 2023 5:30 pm

Minutes

1. Call to Order: 5:33pm

2. Roll Call

Members		Others Present
Butch Beedle	Absent	Interim Director Angie Olsen
Alderson Ben Corridon	Present	
Abraham Rodriguez	Present	
Kenneth Updike	Present	
Bill Lathrop	Present	
Abbey Barnes	New, Present	
	Open Seat	

- 3. Motion to Approve the Agenda**, by Lathrop, seconded by Updike, approved unanimously.
- 4. Motion to waive the reading of the minutes** of the March 27th, 2023 meeting and approve as printed, by Barnes, seconded by Rodriguez, approved unanimously.

Mr. Corridon shared a conversation with City Administrator Jason Sergeant regarding suggesting the Youth Center Board had any oversight over expenses or finances. According to the City Administrator, all such matters go through the Finance and Labor Committee.

- 5. Civility reminder** – Mr. Corridon reminded the group to conduct civil discussion
- 6. Citizen Appearances** – None

7. Youth Center Operations

Ms. Olsen reported:

Things are going well if a little slower. On nice days – the kids all wanted to be outside. We have kids who come early, some in the middle of the time. Going bowling on May 12th.

8. New Business

a. Introduce and Welcome New Members

Abbey Barnes has joined the Board and was in attendance. Maria Torres will also be joining, providing for a full Board.

Ms. Barnes asked some questions of the group to get up to speed.

b. Bowling at Blue Devil Bowl

The group will have a one-hour bowling trip on May 12th, from 4-5. The kids will have snacks at the Youth Center and then walk over to the bowling alley. Cost is \$2/kid and they are free to buy whatever else they want there. Ms. Olsen arranged the trip with Tiffany Bessire of Blue Devil Bowl.

Angie reports receiving correspondence from other potential destinations for field trips

9. Old Business

a. Kickball Fundraiser Update

Ms. Olsen has met a lot of road blocks. She has gotten no response from City Hall in regards to waivers for insurance. She is not comfortable having kids sign up without guidance. Other roadblocks are soccer events that weekend that are taking a lot of people away from volunteering as well as participants. There is a tournament in Wausau. She has reached out to Elle - to see if there would be anything in the Fall.

Decision to scrap the tournament for May 21st and attempt to resurrect it for September.

Discussed pursuing other fundraising options, including an appeal letter to local businesses. Ms. Olsen is working on that.

Mr. Corridon suggested a two-prong approach - look at Saturdays and Sundays in September. But let's also continue to do what Becky did (the fundraising letter to local business).

Mr. Corridon inquired if Ms. Olsen will have any difficulty getting fundraising letters out during her work managing the aquatic center? Ms. Olsen said she wasn't concerned.

Need a decision on Kickball by June 26th meeting. Mr. Corridon is targeting September 9th as our first choice. Angie will email Elle.

Mr. Rodriguez - With not having it in May - will it affect ticket sales for the Derby? Ms. Olsen - historically they haven't had that before.

Discussion turned to the Ducky Derby as there has been little formal discussion about that event.

Discussed ticket prices - \$5 for 1 ticket, \$20 for five.

Discussed legalities for tickets. We need to verify our current raffle license and update it with the state. There was question about the raffle license.

Discussed technical opportunities to collect money via phones and via QR codes.

We need to get assignments on what needs to happen to get the Duck Derby going.

Issues - raffle license number. Abby to help with licensing issues. Ducks are ready to go. Currently inventorying them and filling in any missing numbers.

Ben - we are just selling them on the 4th? **No - we need to start selling them as quickly as possible.**

Bill will look into contacting Becky for any details on regarding details for administering the Derby.

b. Backyard Net Update.

Net update. Angie has still heard nothing from Kendall Buttchen regarding the availability of old soccer netting.

10. **Next Meeting Date** – Monday, May 22th, 5:30 pm at the Youth Center.

11. Mr. Updike made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Rodriguez, approved unanimously - meeting adjourned.