

Youth Development Council of Greene County Board Meeting | October 19, 2015

Present:

Staff: Mike Alley. **Board Members:** Bishop Michael Jackson, Ron Morris, Heather Myers, Barbara Nye, Ginny Reese, Carl Schmitt. **Advisory Council:** Pete Costigan, Roy Dye, Dumisile Martin, Bert Nye, Kathryn Thomas. **Guest:** Barbara Jenkins.

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of September 21 were approved as submitted.

Treasurer's Report: (Bishop Jackson) The ending balance on the report is shown as \$54,057.95. The President suggested that all deposits should go through Roy Dye, as head of the fundraising committee, so that fundraising amounts can be kept track of, and only Bishop Jackson, as YDC treasurer should write checks. The treasurer's report was not approved pending investigation of a deposit made on 10/2 by Roy Dye of \$5000, from DSS, which is not shown. Pete Costigan suggested that the fundraising Committee and the Treasurer's Report cover the same period. This suggestion will be revisited.

Executive Director's Report: (Mike Alley)

The year-end fee of \$149 for the website domain and hosting was charged to Mike's credit card, and he will submit the receipt. There was a motion and unanimous vote to reimburse Mike for this fee. The website now has the Pioneer Bank credit card number. Mike updated the demographics of the current After-school class. A couple students withdrew and were replaced with other students, for a total of 22 now in the group. Students were able to choose a wish list item from an anonymous donor, and these were distributed. This donor also wants to do something for the kids's for their birthdays. Mike reported that the JMU interns, Chandler and Christine have started the Tuesday Elective part of the program. Mike met with Sandy Baker about the reading levels of the students. She is using Tumblebooks, an online resource with animated e-books from Jefferson-Madison Regional Library. Mike reported that YDC staff have been getting updates from the Region 10 counselor and teachers on student's reports and projects that are assigned, which has been very helpful. There was some discussion of student volunteers in the After-school program with Mike relating how it works. Ron noted that a meeting was set up with the Principal of Nathanael Greene Primary and Elementary Schools, the School Superintendent, Mike, and himself, to discuss some potential issues of overlap with other programs that may be going on during the after school time period that may involve YDC kids (i.e. the Dragon Club) when the YDC program expands to a four day program in January 2016.

Fundraising Committee: (Roy Dye)

Roy submitted a written report for the Committee, dated October 19, documenting a total raised so far in 2015 of \$66,381. Most of that is from the category of targeted mail, three mailings. The Berkley Foundation grant was successful and resulted in a \$5000 award in September. Pete Costigan submitted another application to CACF on Oct. 1, which will have a November decision. In September also, Greene County DSS contributed \$5000. Roy reported on preliminary fundraising activity for the Country Hoedown so far which included responses from a letter to high end-donors (\$3175) and Sponsorships from about 20 businesses, and some individuals, churches, and organizations (\$3450). Roy also

mentioned JB Mckinnie's Charity Ride event and the Roller Derby raffle sales. Amounts from these were not final. Carl led a discussion of final details to be worked out for the Country Hoedown.

President's Report: (Ron Morris)

There was brief discussion of the upcoming Board retreat on November 14, from 9-noon. Ron mentioned that YDC does not currently have the exemption for State sales tax. He promised to look into it, and check with Scott Wood.

Finance Committee: (Pete Costigan) The budget discussion was deferred. Pete reviewed the APLOS worksheet figures that he had filled in through September 2015. In September, YDC had income of \$5650, and expenses of \$2092.52. There is a year- to-date net increase of \$14,410.95, meaning YDC has taken in that much more than it has spent so far. There was a discussion of YDC doing direct deposit of paychecks for staff, with no action taken. Pete reported about some of the details of entering data in APLOS. Ron recommended that the Finance Committee meet, come up with a proposed budget, and will probably also need to set up an Audit Committee, composed of Pete, Bishop Jackson, and Scott Wood, which will look at the financial data accumulated so far, and submit a report to the Board.

New Business: (Pete Costigan)

Pete asked the question of whether seats need to be set aside in the After-school program for Hispanic kids. Discussion ensued. So far school counselors have not recommended any kids in that demographic. Kathryn had a proposal from a teacher about working with middle school boys that have aged out of YDC. More information to come.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:05 pm. The next Board meeting will convene on Monday, Nov. 16.
Respectfully submitted by Ginny Reese