**Youth Development Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes**

**September 18th, 2024**

**5pm-6pm, GOB Room 306**

**Present**  
Emily Zerrenner   
Briana Curtis-Chair  
David Thompson  
Alicia Miller  
Kenisha Le’Cole  
Logan Dillon- City of Salisbury Liaison  
**Zoom**  
Thashana McKinney  
Sophia Oberton  
Naryah Miles  
Tamyra Foreman  
**Other**:  
Debra Reynolds  
Nick Voitiuc

**Welcome/Opening:**

* Logan opened the meeting and welcomed attendees.
* Logan turned the meeting over to the Chair, Briana Curtis, to lead
* While waiting for other members, Briana asked if anyone wants to be nominated or any ideas of who we should nominate
* Briana would like to give Vice-Chair the responsibility of contacting the members prior to the meetings
  + Alicia would like to nominate herself for Vice-Chair

Open Discussion:

* <https://docs.google.com/document/d/10foLdoZgutq5TPfj7b-H32HCsNGSd_1HYU0_jwfSKPE/edit>
* Group began our brainstorm activity for the YMP priority areas- The 4 priority areas include:
  + Community Outreach
  + Stakeholder Engagement
    - More feedback to city staff
    - Recruiting high school students
  + Safe Havens for Youth
    - Utilizing community centers
    - AmeriCorps Members
    - Partner with organizations for community service hours
    - Lengthen hours for community centers staff to be open later
  + Justice, Equity, Diversity and Inclusion
    - Translation
      * Translation of the City website
    - Job fair for Haitian/Spanish speaking
    - Partner with PFLAG
* Kenisha- we need to overall find more areas for youth to be at where they can do more activities they are interested in
  + We can get volunteers to hand out flyers in different languages to get more of the community involved
* Sophia- it would be beneficial for to have a Haitian member to give more insight
  + We could benefit by representing the groups we are trying to reach within YDAC
  + We need to think realistically until we can actually help further-Families can carpool, etc.
* Alicia- under each strategy we can list
  + 1) What can we as a committee
  + 2) What can we suggest that the city does
* Alicia- we need to do targeted recruitment for YDAC
* Shore Get Connected- through United Way
  + Great for students in school
  + They can get certificates
    - They can post events
    - If they need volunteers
* Nick Director of Infrastructure and Development-noted the city is doing a comprehensive plan that is supposed to be published in the next couple of months
  + This could be an avenue for putting forth our major things we want to get out there
* Alicia motioned to approve August’s minutes
  + Members seconded
* Alicia motioned to approve the Youth Master Plan 4 Priority categories
  + Members seconded
* Sophia suggested members bring someone to the next meeting who is not a member to get more community /public engagement since YDAC meetings are meant for the public

**Closing Remarks:**

* **Things to discuss next meeting:**
  + **Youth Master Plan**
  + **Ideas for community centers**

**Alicia motioned to close the meeting at 6:00pm  
Briana Seconded**

**Next Meeting: October 16th, 2024**