

Greenbelt Youth Advisory Committee
Monday May 8, 2017
5:30 pm at Greenbelt Community Center-Room 103

I. Ema Smith called the meeting to order at 5:36 pm.

II. Present: Ema Smith(Chair), Jeremy Tuthill(Vice Chair), Honora Hammett(Secretary), Julia Sharapi, Selim Boukabara, Hunter Whaples

Staff: Alison Longworth(Liaison)

III. Old Business

- 1. April Minutes:** Approved 6-0 in favor.
- 2. Opioid Public Service Announcement:** Ema contacted Leta Mach and Alison spoke to Caitlin McGrath from the Greenbelt Theater to have the announcement played at the theater.
- 3. Youth Forum:** The Committee discussed the idea of having the forum at various locations, Alison will email Mr. McNeil from Roosevelt High School for more information on holding the forum at the school next year.
- 4. YAC Liaison Reports:**
 - Ema Smith(Advisory Committee on Education)- did not attend, will report back for next meeting.
 - Honora Hammett(Community Relations Advisory Board)- did not attend, discussed last meeting and the presentation on the voting age.
 - Hunter Whaples(Park & Recreation Advisory Board)-meeting was cancelled.
- 5. YAC T-Shirt Logo:** The committee approved Selims design for the logo, 6-0 in favor.
- 6. Web Addition to greenbeltmd.gov:** Alison will send out a questionnaire to all members for bios.

IV. New Business

- 7. Shirts:** The committee members received the T-Shirts.
- 8. NLC Reports 2017:** Ema discussed the events that occurred and the different groups that attended the conference and their role in each community. Ema brought up the idea of reaching out to the other Youth Advisory Committees in the Maryland area and she will write a draft of a letter, this will be discussed further at the next meeting.
 - 1.** Prioritize economic mobility and opportunity, as well as financial stability.
 - 2.** Alison discussed the mission of the committees from the conference and developing a new mission for the Greenbelt Youth Advisory Committee.

Alison will send out a follow-up email to the members in order to think about the goals for this year.

3. Ema spoke about human trafficking awareness and how the committee can get involved.
9. **Letter to Local Governments:** The committee discussed the different municipalities to involve.
10. **Recess Vote:** The committee decided to continue meetings over the summer, with a vote of 6-0 in favor.

V. Upcoming Events

11. **Skate Park Celebration:** The members discussed who can volunteer/attend the event.

VI. Committee Initiated Discussion

11. Ema spoke to Patrick Gleason about the number of water fountains placed on walking paths, as well as a speed camera on Lakecrest in Greenbelt. Alison will print out the master plan of Greenbelt, to gather further information on water fountains placements. Hunter mentioned the crosswalk on Hanover Parkway and ideas of making it safer for pedestrians.

Ema Smith adjourned the meeting at 6:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Honora Hammett