

October 20, 2022, 6:00pm at Joe Brannen Hall and via Zoom

Statesboro Youth Commission Meeting Minutes

In attendance: Kristina (Tina) Patterson, LaShai Campbell, Lakesha Hill, Debbie Vives, Renata Newbill-Jallow, Caitlin Brady, Tracy Linderholm, Cindy Hatchell

Kristina Patterson called the meeting to order at 6:06 and noted quorum was present. Agenda was approved as written.

Updates

Bulloch County BOE Meeting: BOE voted on mobile unit, excused absence policy.

Village Builders: Mobile resource days have started, Healthy Boro will be supporting the November dates with some health related resources, Interviews have started for Program Coordinator position to oversee the initiative.

Clarified that SCYN's role will be in an advisory capacity, strategic planning, and support role for the initiative once the Program Coordinator is on board.

Community Health Fair: Overall, it was a successful event. It was in a good location, was enjoyable for volunteers, groups/individuals that participated as volunteers want to be

involved again next year. Promotion could have been better with more time. Since the event is planned for the 3rd Saturday in October, we decided to vote on collaborating for next year to give ample time to plan.

Motion: Debbie Vives motioned that SCYN partner with Restoring the Breach for the Community Health Fair, October 21, 2023; Lakesha Hill seconded. All members voted in favor. Motion passed.

Kristina Patterson will reserve the Honey Bowen building (same side as used for 2022) for October 21, 2023.

New business

Chess and Community: Library has begun two events: Chess and Community on the 4th Monday of the month for ages 7-17; Pizza and Chess at Holiday Pizza on the 4th Wednesday for all ages. Chief Broadhead has purchased pizza for that event. SCYN may be needed to help provide transportation for youth that want to participate. Will follow up as event develops.

Collaboration with Village Builders: We know that there are organizations already providing youth programming in support of one or more goals of the SVB initiative. SCYN discussed what the process for official collaboration/endorsement might entail. Discussed asking for a specific time commitment, references from other organizations that have collaborated, an organizational resume, letter of intent. We also discussed what organizations might want as an incentive to partner with SVBI. For some, recognition is enough, but others may want other incentives. Tracy Linderholm mentioned possibly working with Grice Connect to do a sponsor highlight to put partners in front of more potential donors.

We will begin working on a proposal to City Council for equitable distribution of liquor store excise taxes. We will collaborate on a Google doc and get on the agenda to present at a work session. (LaShai Campbell asked not to be included on Google doc, as her organization may want to apply for funds.)

Meeting adjourned at 7:10 pm.

MEETINGS: Currently, Third Thursday of each month, 6:00 pm at Joe Brannen Hall. Next meeting: November 17, 2022