

■ **ST. CHARLES YOUTH COMMISSION** ■

**Monday, December 6, 2021 – 6:00 p.m.**

**1515 W. Main St., St. Charles Police Department  
Community Room**

D. Clavelli – Youth Commissioner, Treasurer	M. Kramer, STC PD
J. Diorio – Youth Commissioner	E. Mahan, STC PD
A. Farinella – Youth Commissioner*	J. Keegan, Chief of Police
D. Kelly – Youth Commissioner*	L. Vitek, Mayor
L. Kristofer – Youth Commissioner, Secretary*	STC Aldermen
J. Muenz – Youth Commissioner, Chair*	H. McGuire, City Administrator
D. Saylor – Youth Commissioner*	J. Bruggeman, STC Park District*
J. Stock – Youth Commissioner*	N. Chaney, STC Library*
J. Wallace – Youth Commissioner	J. O’Neal, TriCity*
M. Weick – Youth Commissioner*	M. Clark, TriCity
	P. Palagi, D303*

**\*Attended meeting**

- I. Meeting called to order @ 6:03 p.m.
- II. Motion to Reconsider S.T.C. Learn application
  - A. This motion was made by Chairperson Muenz; Commissioner Stock seconded.
  - B. After a group discussion about increasing the amount approved for S.T.C. Learn at the November meeting, Commissioner Kristofer made a motion to approve the funding request in the amount of \$2,500. Commissioner Saylor seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
- III. Approval of the minutes from the November 2021 meeting. Commissioner Saylor made motion. Commissioner Stock seconded; motion carried unanimously.
- IV. Treasurer’s Report – Chairperson Muenz read the report on behalf of Commissioner Clavelli
  - A. Current balance: \$7,380; however, with the change at this meeting for S.T.C. Learn, the new balance is now \$6,380.
- V. New Business – none
- VI. Correspondence – none
- VII. Presentations – none
- VIII. Reports
  - A. Liaison Reports
    - i. D303 Schools – Patti Palagi
      - a. D303 Supported the *Big Hearts, Big Christmas* gift giving activity last week. Over 6,000 gifts were wrapped and picked up.
      - b. Parent University will be held on December 9th to highlight the *Empower* program at the elementary level. Look for new Parent University offerings after the new year.
      - c. D303 is hiring for many positions. Federal funding is available to add new positions.

- d. Outside clinicians will be brought in to support some students with special needs.
- ii. Park District – Jennifer Bruggeman
  - a. Many holiday activities are in place for the winter months.
  - b. Many sports camps are running as more people feel comfortable coming back in person.
  - c. Lifeguard applications will be made available this week.
  - d. There will be job opportunities for 15-year olds this summer.
- iii. Police Department – Report from Officer Kramer read by Chairperson Muenz
  - a. A new St. Charles PD canine will be present at the January meeting.
  - b. Arrests from October to November include retail theft, illegal consumption of alcohol by minors, a cannabis citation; and there have been a handful of traffic stops. All of these involved minors were from South Elgin, St. Charles, Geneva, West Chicago, and Aurora.
  - c. There are no reports from the SROs
- iv. Library – Nick Chaney
  - a. Things are starting to settle down after the renovations.
  - b. 90% of programs are back in person.
  - c. Since July the library has had over 1,000 visits to the new teen center, *The Loft*.
  - d. They have homework/study areas, a whiteboard, video gaming, and board games available.
  - e. An Exam Cram will hopefully be offered for finals at the end of the school year.
- v. TriCity Family Services – Jules O’Neal
  - a. TriCity is staying very busy with a lengthy waitlist.
  - b. The organization helped provide many meals for families in need this year on Thanksgiving.
  - c. Christmas baskets are coming in this week.
  - d. The preschool program online went well.
  - e. Compass for Boys and Compass for Girls groups are coming up in February.

B. Outreach Sub-Committee Report – none

C. Student Consultant Committee Report

- i. Student Consultants met on December 6th.
- ii. Nick Chaney from the library was present to consult with the students.
- iii. Students have been very busy preparing for final exams.
- iv. There are some Spirit Week activities planned to balance out the stress of finals.

IX. Old Business

A. Update on Display Windows

- i. Commissioner Stock agreed to come to a meeting with the student consultants after sharing the following vision:
  - a. Highlight grants funded
  - b. Introduce community partners
  - c. Spotlight Impact Award winners

B. Ongoing marketing

- i. Sara Cass confirmed that we are able to use part of our annual budget for marketing purposes.

C. Impact Award

- i. We have a nominee from Jen Bruggeman that we are excited to honor in the spring.

X. Announcements – none

XI. Public Comment – none

XII. Adjournment

- A. Commissioner Stock made a motion to adjourn at 7:01 pm; Chairperson Muenz seconded; motion carried unanimously.

***The next Youth Commission meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 10, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. in the Community Room at the St. Charles Police Department.***

Minutes respectfully submitted,  
Lara Kristofer, Youth Commissioner