

City of Sugar Hill Youth Council Session
Wednesday, Dec 5th, 2018 5:30 P.M.
City Hall Council Chambers,
5039 West Broad Street
Sugar Hill, GA 30518

Members in attendance: Laura Ann Acker, Camryn Flores, Nida Merchant, Bhaumi Shah, Camden Doker, Alexis Ducote, and Khushi Mehta

Meeting called to order at 5:34.

Agenda is approved by Camden and Bhaumi seconds the motion.

Council Reports:

- Khushi was able to attend the Work Session meeting on December 3rd where the City Council was able to review the City Budget.
- Camryn and the Lanier Football team went to Lee County for the State Championship game.
- Nida was able to find a few Youth Ambassador t-shirt designs from last year and submit them as possible club t-shirts for this year.
- Mike pitched having a Game Night on Saturday, December 8th and has proposed a more active attendance in the City Council Work sessions next semester.
- Laura Ann recently had a surgery due to a major injury and was given an award for her outstanding performance in softball thus far! She is signing with Agnes Scott College on December 13th at the Lanier Library.

- First Youth Council meeting of 2019 on January 3rd.

Meeting Carolyn Bordeaux:

“If you don't do it, somebody else will who may not have had the same experiences as you, will.”

- The Youth Council was privileged enough to meet candidate Carolyn Bordeaux, a candidate that ran for District 7 Congress
- One of the most difficult things she encountered while running her campaign was raising the funds necessary and was able to encounter many people in all walks of life.
- As Budget director through 2010, GA has a huge health insurance problem. Many people are not insured and GA sends 3 billion dollars back to the Fed due to the lack of Medicaid expansion.
- Her belief is that there is a lack of concern in expanding the Health Insurance policies in the state.
 - 40% of men and women in our jails have some mental illness due to not having a job from poor health.

- The prescription drug business is a competition between the government and major Pharmaceutical companies. We end spend twice as much on healthcare with the highest rates of Maternal Mortality rates.
- Quality education at affordable rates from k-college: Gap between low to high-income children in early education often due to race and location.
 - Both HOPE and Federal funding (which has been cut recently) has affected the funding for students
- A council member and Bordeaux had an interesting conversation regarding the administration of the current president.
- Had she won, her strides would have been towards government reform and a sort of difficulty in having common people to run for any sort of government regime.

- The City Budget conversation has been tabled for the next meeting and the council is requested to research the information beforehand.
- Councilmember Paul Radford will be reviewing the City Budget with the council at the next meeting on December 12th.

- Youth Ambassador T-shirt ideas from the club and the council due by December 11th.

- Meeting adjourned at 7:01 by Nida and Lexi.