

Special Called Work Session - City of Sugar Hill Youth Council Minutes  
Wednesday, July 1, 2020

Virtual Meeting Through Webex

Members in attendance: Khushi Mehta, Lexi Ducote, Avery Tam, Bailey Coleman, Bhaumi Shah Harshika Mehta, and Daniel Park

Taking Minutes: Harshika Mehta

Meeting called to order at 5:37 pm

Agenda:

- Milen motioned to approve the agenda, Daniel seconded, Motion was unanimous

Minutes

- June 10: Bhaumi motions to approve, Avery seconds, Motion was unanimous.
- June 17: Lexi motions to approve, Milen seconds, Motion was unanimous.

Review of Proposed Letter to Governor (RE: SB 375):

- Youth Council reviewed the letter to the Governor expressing support toward Senate Bill 375
- Milen motions to approve, Daniel seconds, Motion is unanimous

Initiative with Bobby Gueh:

- Bobby Gueh and the Youth Council are working together to organize a face to face meeting on Friday, July 31st
- We want to invite a panel of students, adults, and potentially Major Adams of the Gwinnett police department
- We are also planning to get Ambassadors to help put together backpacks and various other school supplies for students in need

SHYC Thoughts on Juneteenth:

- The Youth council discusses their stance on making Juneteenth a paid holiday, and expressing support to the city through a letter of resolution

- Letter will be presented to Mayor and Council at a work session or council meeting
- Lexi will write the resolution while Khushi will tweak and edit
- Bhaumi motions, Avery seconds, Motion is unanimous
- Resolution will be sent through GroupMe for further discussion

#### Black Lives Matter Conference:

- Bhaumi is glad the Council had an opportunity to get active again, but wished for more time in breakout rooms, and suggested more cushion time
- Khushi enjoyed the content and variety of the discussion, and thought we did a good job spreading the word. She noticed the lack of participation near the end of the conference, due to kids zoning out.
- Avery was glad that he was able to talk more about the topic and by talking to Dr. Bobby Gueh, he was able to learn more new things about the ongoing crisis.
- Bailey also noticed the lack of participation, but thought the discussions went very well overall
- Daniel wished it was a little more efficient, and felt the introduction was long, which cut into discussion time. Overall, the discussion he had with Dr. Bobby Gueh was very productive.
- Harshika thought the participation was higher in the breakout rooms than it was in the lobby, but overall thought it was very informative.
- Lexi learned a lot from Dr. Gueh's speech, and felt her breakout room was very quiet at the beginning, but ended up going very well, and finished on time.
- Mike thought more time advertising may have increased participation, and practice may have helped too, but overall thought the conference went well.

#### Council meeting days:

- The council will vote on which days of the week to meet during the summer time to best fit everyone's schedule

#### Review of Vaping Bill:

- Highlights of SB 375
- Current tobacco & vaping regulations updated to reflect Tobacco 21 legislation on the national level.
- Individuals <21 years old cannot buy, possess, or use \*even with parent permission!\*

- New fines. (1st offense = \$25, 2nd offense = \$50)
- 3rd violation OR failure to comply with community service consequences will result in revocation of driver's license for 45 days.
- Use of vapor products within school safety zones is prohibited.
- New delivery regulations for tobacco and vapor products.
- New excise taxes on vapor products. (!!)
- Link to the bill: <http://www.legis.ga.gov/Legislation/20192020/195093.pdf>

Avery motions to adjourn, Milen seconds. Motion was unanimous.

Meeting adjourned at 7:00 PM