A meeting of the Mayor’s Youth Commission was held on Wednesday February 15th in Room 301 of the Kenosha Municipal Building.

The following Commissioners were present: Chairperson Tammy Conforti, Vice-Chairperson Keller Darre, Detective Tommar Franklin, Alderperson Bill Siel, Nakeisha Payne, Aishia Nunez, and Rayven Robinson.

Chairperson Conforti called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

It was moved by Alderperson Siel, seconded by Vice-Chairperson Darre, to approve the minutes of the meeting held November 9, 2022. Motion carried unanimously.

1. Review of 2nd Quarter Award Nominations
   It was moved by Nakeisha Payne, seconded by Keller Darre, to present an award to any nominee receiving an average of 15 points or higher. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Availability for the March 6, 2023 award presentation
   Chairperson Conforti, Alderperson Siel, Nakeisha Payne, Keller Darre, Rayven Robinson and Aishia Nunez are all available.

   It was moved by Alderperson Siel, seconded by Nakeisha Payne, to adjourn the meeting at 6:06 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.
A meeting of the Mayor’s Youth Commission was held on Wednesday April 12th in Room 301 of the Kenosha Municipal Building.

The following Commissioners were present: Chairperson Tammy Conforti, Vice-Chairperson Keller Darre, Detective Tommar Franklin, Alderperson Bill Siel, and Rayven Robinson.

Chairperson Conforti called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

It was moved by Alderperson Siel, seconded by Vice-Chairperson Darre, to approve the minutes of the meeting held February 15, 2023. Motion carried unanimously.

1. Meeting attendance/participation and fulfilling commitments.
Chairperson Conforti reminded everyone that the commission has a very nice calendar laying out all the dates of meetings and events, there are no surprises. She understands vacations and illness, but hopes the commission can have attendance and participation. There is a lot to do the next several months and a little extra effort is needed. She asked that advance notice be given whenever possible if unable to attend a meeting or event.

2. Brick Memorial Dedication – Wednesday, June 21, 2023
There was discussion as to the roles everyone will play at the event. Keller Darre, Alderperson Siel, and Detective Franklin offered to read names. Readers can alternate reading and ringing the bell if needed. Tammy Conforti will emcee, Alderperson Siel will read the poem. There will be assistance needed handing out programs. Jada Moss will be asked to sing the National or staff will arrange with the sound person to have a recording available.

Everyone should arrive between 5:30 and 6:00 to assist staff and to hand out programs.

3. Scholarship Interviews – Thursday, July 14, 2022
It was moved by Alderperson Siel, seconded by Keller Darre, to send invitations to interview to the top scoring candidate from each quarter, plus the additional top two scores overall. Motion carried unanimously.

It was then moved by Alderperson Siel, seconded by Detective Franklin, to award one scholarship for $5,000, one scholarship for $2,500, and the remaining four scholarships for $1,500. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion took place regarding the purchase $25 Gift Cards for each 2022/23 award recipient not receiving a scholarship. Staff will check with Finance Dept. about purchasing Amazon Gift Cards. Follow-up at May meeting.

Reach out to past Interviewers, Jeff Wamboldt and Jackie Schmidt, other suggestions included former mayor Keith Bosman and Tyler Cochran. Tammy Conforti, Bill Siel, Keller Darre and Rayven Robinson all expressed interest in serving on interview panel.

4. Review of 3rd Quarter Nominations
It was moved by Keller Darre, seconded by Alderperson Siel, to present awards to any nominee receiving an average score of 15 points or higher. Motion carried unanimously.

Presentation of awards to take place on May 1st, 2023. Tammy Conforti will read the introduction, Detective Franklin and Alderperson Seil with read and present awards, and Rayven Robinson will man the hallway.

5. Future Dates on the Calendar:
Awards Presentations at Council – Monday, May 1st
Regular Meeting – Wednesday, May 10th
Deadline for 4th Quarter Nominations – Thursday, May 25th

Chairperson Conforti emphasized the need for attendance and participation.

Commissioners Comments:
Detective Franklin inquired if it would be appropriate for him to encourage participation at the schools. All agreed it would be helpful for all to encourage participation using various connections each commissioner has.

Chairperson Conforti shared that she felt the MYC Scholarships benefit a group of students who may not qualify for other scholarships based on grades or sports.

Alderman Siel shared that he would not be able to attend the May 10, 2023 meeting.

It was moved by Alderperson Siel, seconded by Keller Darre, to adjourn the meeting at 6:58 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.
A meeting of the Mayor's Youth Commission was held on Wednesday May 10th in Room 301 of the Kenosha Municipal Building.

The following Commissioners were present: Chairperson Tammy Conforti, Vice-Chairperson Keller Darre, Detective Tommar Franklin, Aishia Nunez, Nikki Payne, and Rayven Robinson.

Chairperson Conforti called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m.

It was moved by Chairperson Tammy Conforti, seconded by Vice-Chairperson Darre, to approve the minutes of the meeting held April 12, 2023. Motion carried unanimously.

1. Brick Memorial Dedication – Wednesday, June 21, 2023
   There was confirmation on the next meeting date of June 7, 2023. Nikki Payne will not be in attendance. Legend George may attend this meeting if he is in town. Suggestion that we will all wear colors of our program (pink, red or orange). The following are finalized assignments:
   - Readers: Alderperson Bill Siel, Vice-Chairperson Keller Darre, Detective Tommar Franklin, and Commissioner Nikki Payne. The list of 229 names will be distributed as evenly as possible and labeled by reader names in our program book.
   - MC of the event is Tammy Conforti
   - Poem will be read by Alderperson Bill Siel
   - Bell ringers are Commissioner Aishia Nunez and Commissioner Rayven Robinson
   - Commissioner Jada Moss will sing the National Anthem and Amazing Grace
   - Program Brochure approved
   - Everyone should arrive by 5:30pm to assist staff and to hand out programs.
   - To do: Peni to send out a link to our last event for all to view and also the names of all our celebrants. Peni to send brochure to Allegra Printing tomorrow. Consider adding Founder or Visionary following Gilbert and Sharon Ostman’s names on the brochure. Peni to discuss with the Mayor.

2. Scholarship Interviews – Thursday, July 13, 2023
   There was discussion as to the roles everyone will play at the event.
   - Community members who have agreed to participate are Jeff Wamboldt and Tyler Cochran. Commission members who have agreed to participate are Chairperson Tammy Conforti, Alderperson Bill Siel, Vice-chairperson Keller Darre, Commissioner Rayven Robinson and back-ups Detective Tommar Franklin and Commissioner Nikki Payne.
   - It was noted that we currently have 27 Juniors and Seniors for consideration. Please get 4th quarter scores in before our next meeting.
   - $25 Gift Cards for each 2022/23 award recipient not receiving a scholarship will be purchased.
   - Discussion that we will invite top scorer from each quarter. Scholarships awarded will include 1 (one) $5000, 1(one) $2500 and 4(four) $1500. Student are not made of aware of the amount they will be receiving until the reception and the check is sent to the college.
3. Annual Reception – Wednesday, August 9, 2023
   - Commissioner Nikki Payne will not be in attendance.
   - Location Museum – Daimler Chrysler Room – extra table added to reservation.
   - Budget up to $850.00 for food.
   - Caterer discussion: Last year we had Victoria’s and in the past have used DeRango’s. Discussion on getting together a few options for serving chicken, pasta and salad, along with cost before next meeting.
   - We also had 100 cupcakes donated by Tig last year. Commissioner Aishia Nunez has a friend who might be interested – not sure if it will be a donation. We need to be mindful that caterers are using a certified kitchen.
   - Discussion on arranging seating before hand and using a check-in sheet. Suggestion that tables be numbered.
   - Color theme will be Red, White and Blue.

4. Future Dates on the Calendar:

   Deadline for 4th Quarter Nominations – Thursday, May 25th
   Regular Meeting will be held on June 7th
   Award Presentations at Council Meeting – Monday, June 19th
   Brick Memorial Dedication – Wednesday, June 21, 2023

*It was moved by Chairperson Tammy Conforti, seconded by Keller Darre, to adjourn the meeting at 6:51 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.*