

Minutes of the Youth Advisory Committee  
for the Corporation of The Town of Tecumseh

A meeting of the Youth Advisory Committee for the Town of Tecumseh was scheduled to be held on September 17, 2018, in the Sandwich South Meeting Room at Town Hall, 917 Lesperance Road, Tecumseh at 4:30 pm.

**1. Call to Order**

The Chairperson calls the meeting to order at 4:34 pm.

**2. Roll Call**

**Present:**

Member	Jacob Altenhof
Treasurer	Michael Altenhof
Member	Brendan Froese
Vice Chair	Maria Giorlando (4:56 pm)
Member	Tamsyn King
Member	Tia-Lynne McCann
Secretary	Ava Ruuth
Member	Cameron Skinner

**Also Present:**

Manager Committee & Community Services	Christina Hebert
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**Absent:**

Member	Andre Ducharme
Chair	Kristi Koutros

**3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest**

None reported.

**4. Delegations**

None.

**5. Communications**

**a. Youth Advisory Committee Minutes - July 23, 2018**

**Motion: YAC - 20/18**

Moved By	Treasurer Michael Altenhof
Seconded By	Member Jacob Altenhof

**That** the minutes of the July 23, 2018 meeting of the Youth Advisory Committee be approved.

Carried

**6. Reports**

None.

**7. Unfinished Business**

**a. End of Summer Concert with Bonfire / Marshmallow Roast and Fireworks**

Discussion ensues respecting the End of Summer Concert with Bonfire / Marshmallow Roast and Fireworks, held at Lakewood Park on September 1.

The Members advise it was another successful event with crowds despite the rain storm just prior to the event start and continue to look forward to assisting with this event annually.

**b. Family Game Nights**

The Manager Committee & Community Services reviews the schedule, previously circulated to the Members via email. As agreed upon at the prior meeting, the third Friday of the month was selected to sponsor Family Game Nights.

The Members review their availability and confirm the following schedule:

September 21: Member Cameron Skinner and Member Tamsyn King

October 19: Member Tamsyn King and Member Brendan Froese

November 16: Vice Chair Maria Giorlando and Member Tia-Lynne McCann

A reminder regarding set up and clean up details is provided.

The Secretary will ensure the Family Game Night information is shared on the YAC social media. Members are encouraged to further help promote the event.

**c. Youth Career Fair**

The Members are apprised the Youth Career Fair will be held on Wednesday, November 7, 2018 in the Auditorium at l'Essor High School. The afternoon of November 6 has also been reserved for set up purposes.

Taking into consideration feedback received from last year's event, the length has been slightly shortened and will run from 9:00 am – 3:00 pm this year.

Invitations are being sent to last year's participating vendors, together with local business sectors and area high schools.

Members are encouraged to share suggestions/ideas for this year's event.

**8. New Business**

**a. Call for Committee Applications**

The Members are reminded applications are being received from residents interested in serving on the Town's Committees. Details, together with the application forms, may be found on the Town's website.

Nominations are also being accepted for the Dr. Henri Breault Community Excellence Award, the Donald "Donny" Massender Memorial Volunteer Award and the Ontario Senior of the Year Award.

The deadline for submission is October 31, 2018.

The Members are encouraged to also share the information with persons who may be interested and help promote on the YAC social media.

**b. Local Government Week**

The Manager Committee & Community Services advises planning will commence shortly for the annual Local Government Week activities.

Similar to past years, contests will be planned for both elementary and secondary students. As well as tours of the Town Hall Centre [Town Hall, Fire Station No. 1 and OPP Station] will be coordinated.

The Members are encouraged to brainstorm contest ideas and prizes. Given it is a Municipal Election year, the Members concur with creating

election theme contests. A suggestion is made for a social media based contest for the secondary students with a larger prize incentive.

**c. Student Vote**

Information regarding Student Vote, a unique hands-on learning program that provides students under the voting age with the opportunity to experience the voting process and practice the habits of active and engaged citizenship, is shared with the Committee.

Through the program, students are able to learn about municipal government and the electoral process. The program culminates with an authentic vote where students can cast ballots for the official election candidates running for council and school board trustee.

The Town has provided Student Vote with the candidate information for the in-school voting. Further information has also been posted to the Town's elections webpage to help increase awareness about the program.

**d. 2019 Budget**

The 2018 Budget and anticipated project initiatives for 2019 is discussed.

The Members concur with maintaining the Youth Advisory budget allocation for 2019.

**e. Optimist Family Fun Fair**

The Vice Chair advises the Optimist Club of St. Clair Beach is still seeking volunteers to assist with the children's activities and games at the Optimist Family Fun Fair on Saturday, September 22, 2018. Interested persons may contact her for further information.

**9. Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the Youth Advisory Committee will be held on Monday, October 15, 2018

**10. Adjournment**

**Motion: YAC - 21/18**

Moved By                    Member Brendan Froese  
Seconded By                Member Tamsyn King

**That** there being no further business, the September 17, 2018 meeting of Youth Advisory Committee now adjourn at 5:25 pm.

Carried

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Maria Giorlando, Vice-Chair

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Christina Hebert, Manager Committee  
& Community Services