

Carlisle Youth Commission Meeting Minutes
Thursday, March 9, 2023 at 8:00pm

Members present: Lauree Eckler, Stefani Keene, Amy Smack, Cady Audette, Susie Shaw, Chelsea Mascari

Meeting called to order at 8:03pm

Agenda:

1. Approve Meeting Minutes from February 13, 2023
 - Minutes approved by unanimous vote

2. Public comments
 - Request from a parent to have middle school-wide 8th grade graduation celebration at June FNL (amended and approved on 5/2/23 from previous statement: *Request from a parent to have 8th grade dance for June FNL*)
 - Theme for June has already been selected by PRIDE Club
 - Offer special activities to 8th grade students– Names read aloud with cheer tunnel, 8th grade only dance song, rainbow leis given only to 8th graders, offer to share resources with 8th grade graduation committee

3. FNL Recap – 3/3/23
 - Not enough chaperones; one chaperone was a no-show and one chaperone left event early with her child. Need to clarify and enforce rules for chaperones. Need chaperones to arrive earlier and must be given a job/station
 - In future, consider cancelling FNL if there aren't enough chaperones
 - Intensity of some middle schoolers at dodgeball competition created challenging situations – meltdowns, misunderstandings, hard feelings
 - Students arguing over rules – younger students did not have dodgeball experience
 - Foul language and inappropriate cheering – addressed immediately by Youth Commissioners
 - Discussion around harassment of several female students
 - Draft email to all participants regarding behavior policy
 - Decision to enforce behavior policy with 1 month suspension for 3 students
 - Prizes that were not given out at event to be distributed at school

4. FNL Registration/ Check-In Procedures / Cell phone check-in
 - Check-in continues to be a bit chaotic; need to empower chaperones to help
 - Numbering system with cell phones worked well
 - Follow-up with 5 families who did not have active registration

5. Publicity for next FNL
 - Run in Mosquito for 2 weeks
 - Weekly Middle School parent email
 - Chelsea to create flyer once theme confirmed
 - Flyer posted to Carlisle Parents Facebook; send to school for TV monitor

6. FNL Themes
 - WBYC student club picked theme for April: Hawaiian Luau
 - Check with Early Act Rotary Club for May theme
 - PRIDE Club has selected rainbow theme for June (PRIDE month)
7. Mosquito article on Town Boards – submit to Stefani “Why serving on Youth Commission” by Monday 3/13/23
8. Next YC Meetings: Tuesday 3/28 at 7:30pm (planning); Tuesday 4/11 at 7:30pm (recap)

Meeting adjourned at 9:51pm

Meeting minutes approved on 3/28/23; amended and approved on 5/2/23 and respectfully re-submitted by Amy Smack on 5/11/23