

Youth Activities Board Meeting
Zoom Webinar
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4:45 PM

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❖ **Meeting Minutes**

- I. **Roll Call-** Meeting was called to order at 4:48pm by Chair Mr. Rutecki.
Member Present: Tom Rutecki, Bonita Nelson, Summer Christiansen, Jack Lovejoy, Samantha Schwarting, Josh Anderson
Members Absent: Della Cheney, Liz Balstad, Kristina Moore-jager
Staff Present: Dave Pusich; Recreation Supervisor
- II. **Approval of Agenda-** Ms. Nelson moves to approve agenda. No objection. Agenda approved.
- III. **Public Comments on non-agenda items-** None
- IV. **Approval of Minutes:** Ms. Nelson moves motions to approve February 8, 2022 meeting minutes. No objection. Minutes approved.
- V. **Old Business-** None
- VI. **New Business**
 - a. **YAG FY23 funding recommendations – (Academics, Arts, Sports)** – Board members were tasked to come up with their own allocation for their specific group since committees were unable to meet at the JDHS commons in person due to health safety concerns.

Sports – Presented by Bonita Nelson and Josh Anderson

- Glacier Swim Club: requested **\$20,500**; recommended **\$18,500**.
- Juneau Youth Football League: requested **\$32,000**; recommended **\$24,500**.
- Juneau Soccer Club: requested **\$35,000**; recommended **\$22,750**.
- Juneau Ski Club: requested **\$10,000**; recommended **\$9,500**.
- Gastineau Channel Little League: requested **\$39,500**; recommended **\$30,000**.
- Midnight Suns Baseball: requested **\$36,250**; recommended **\$22,000**.
- Hooptime Basketball: requested **\$5,412**; recommended **\$3,000**.
- Juneau Youth Sailing: requested **\$23,106**; recommended **\$7,000**.
- Midnight Suns Fastpitch Softball: requested **\$15,000**; recommended **\$8,910**.
- Special Olympics Alaska: requested **\$4,000**; recommended **\$4,000**.
- Juneau Skating Club: requested **\$33,670**; recommended **\$18,000**.
- Juneau Nordic Ski Club: requested **\$20,860**; recommended **\$12,000**.
- Juneau Douglas Ice Association: requested **\$18,000**; recommended **\$10,000**.
- Hoop Rats Basketball: requested **\$19,500**; recommended **\$10,000**.
- Juneau Trap Team: requested **\$13,500**; recommended **\$6,919**.

Ms. Nelson stated that GCLL and Glacier Swim Club were the highest scored grants followed by JYFL as these groups had the largest number of participants.

Ms. Nelson commented that Midnight Suns Softball asked for \$1,500 in facility rent, which is not an allowable request so must be reduced from total requested amount.

Mr. Anderson stated that he was good with the funding amounts in second attempt for each of the organizations present by Ms. Nelson.

Ms. Nelson awarded additional \$2919 to Trap Team and \$2000 to Special Olympics since there was \$4919 to let to redistribute from Academic category after recommended funding levels were made in this category.

Academic – Presented by Jack Lovejoy & YAB

- AWARE, Inc: requested **\$9,940**; recommended **\$4,610**.
- Discovery Southeast: requested **\$10,200**; recommended **\$9,200**.
- SAIL: requested **\$11,000**; recommended **\$11,000**.
- Girl Scouts of Alaska: requested **\$19,300**; recommended **\$13,310**.
- AEYC-SEA: requested **\$14,000**; recommended **\$6,000**.
- Eagle River United Methodist: requested **\$6,667.50**; recommended **\$4,660**.
- Resurrection Lutheran Church: requested **\$20,000**; recommended **\$0**.

Mr. Rutecki stated that AEYC requested \$8,000 for facility rent, which is not an allowable request so \$6,000 would be max amount to award. This would include \$2,000 for travel (bus) and \$4,000 for personnel services (AmeriCorps member). Mr. Rutecki stated Discovery Southeast grant was reduced by \$1,000 due to budget not being fully complete and recommended funding them \$9,200.

Mr. Rutecki stated that Resurrection Lutheran Church was not funded, as grant application was incomplete, unorganized and missing important pieces of application questions/requirements such as a completed budget and narrative on pages C-12-13.

Mr. Rutecki stated that Eagle River United Methodist was recommended for \$4,660, as they were ineligible for \$1762 towards Honoria artist. Ms. Nelson stated the YAB could not fund direct staffing costs thus Eagle River would be ineligible for \$2,325 for this request in proposal.

Arts – Presented by Summer Christiansen and Tom Rutecki

- Juneau Dance Theatre: requested **\$26,000**; recommended **\$14,000**.
- Juneau Jazz & Classics: requested **\$25,000**; recommended **\$15,016**.
- Friend of Alaska State Museum: requested **\$12,155**; recommended **\$9,000**.
- Juneau Symphony: requested **\$19,450**; recommended **\$12,000**.
- Perseverance Theatre: requested **\$15,262**; recommended **\$10,000**.

Ms. Christiansen stated that she agrees with the recommended fund awards and numbers that Mr. Rutecki presented as first attempt funding levels.

Motion by Mr. Anderson that the Youth Activities Board approve the recommended grant awards for the **Academic category** in amount of \$48,780, the **Arts category** in amount of \$60,016 and the **Sports category** in the amount of \$207,079 as presented. No objections. **Motion approved.**

b. YAB FY23 Finance Meeting YAB recommendation.

Mr. Pusich stated the recommended funding levels for each of the three categories that the Youth Activities Board reviewed and scored to come up with the recommended funding levels would be put on the agenda for the Finance meeting on either May 11 or May 18.

VII. Liaison Reports

- a. JAHC- no report
- b. PRAC- Mr. Anderson stated that the 35-mile ORV location is moving forward and more details will be forthcoming. The PRAC has been working on a location for the ORV since 2012 or earlier. PRAC also discussing and trying to determine best way to dispose of CBJ Park land for sale. PRAC also discussed budgetary items in relation to Capital Improvement Projects.

VIII. **Board Comments**

Mr. Rutecki – stated that Kollin Monahan is resigning as Pool Manager as he is moving to Colorado. In addition, DPAC will be closed for two weeks in May for pool deck repairs/upgrades. Staffing also continues to be an issue for pools and all other businesses in general.

Mr. Rutecki thanked Mr. Pusich for his work with the YAB, as many boards do not have staff liaisons. Thanked the board members for all their work reviewing and scoring grants especially the sports group, which is the largest category at fifteen grants.

Ms. Nelson asked if they would be notified when their term on the YAB is up after the 3-year term. Will we be notified?

Mr. Pusich stated the clerk's office typically sends members a notification regarding their term and to re-apply if want to remain on the board for consideration by the HRC.

Mr. Anderson commented that he would like to see the YAB meet in person again if YAB agrees to that.

Mr. Pusich stated that he has not heard an update from senior staff in regards to meeting in-person again but believes the goal is to move that direction.

Mr. Rutecki stated that if YAB agrees to meeting again in-person, then board should plan to try to meet in person at the next scheduled YAB meeting.

IX. **Next Meeting** - Tentatively May 10, 2022

X. **Adjournment** - Meeting adjourned at 6:13pm