



# Mayor's Youth Advisory Committee

CITY OF NIAGARA FALLS

## MINUTES

**Wednesday, April 6th, 2022**

**3:30 to 5:00 pm**

**Macbain Centre**

**Present:** Abby Critelli, Aidan Bilon, Avary Watson, Azka Siddiqui, Bella Krick, Cameron Scott, Daniel Ferraro, Kade Martin, Katarina Cebic, Katie Hutchings, Lesley Ha, Mackenzie Agretto, Maddox Libera, Madison Mihaychuk, Micheal Iancov, Mishaal Malik, Olivia Harlan, Pranshu Patel, Saloney Sharma, Serina Santo, Shaan Patel, Steffen Zylstra, Shreedev Patel, Tirth Patel, Beth Angle (staff), Nathan Smith, Mackenzie Agretto Adam Roysten, Issie Beraradi

**Regrets:** Hinkal Patel

**March 2th Minutes adopted - Moved by Katie, seconded by Daniel**

**1. Opening Exercise: <Serina, Bella, and Olivia>**

Pictionary! A pretty close game between the teams!

**2. Climate Adaptation Strategy - Erik Nickel**

Feedback and input discussion on the adaptation plan to tackle climate change effects in the community by the Niagara Falls municipality. The city has partnered with Brock University and other groups to do some Public Consultation to better understand the public's perception on this topic. Each member has been sent a document about the 71 actions that were listed in the plan, so if you have any suggestions, send them to Beth or Nathan which will be passed along.

**3. Rotary Adventure in Citizenship Opportunity**

Rotary Club is going to pay for one person to attend one person annually to a Citizen Opportunity in Ottawa (more details in an email sent by Beth.) Email Beth or Nathan if you have any questions.

**4. Follow Up Items:**

- a) STEM Q&A Event

Discussions and thoughts on how the event went.

- Around 35 students attended from the Niagara Region.



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## b) MYAC Business Cards

- Followers rose from 700 to 1000+ will be useful for promotion in our future events.
- Winners of the draw are from St. Mikes, St. Paul, and AN Myer

## 5. Sub-committee Update

### a. JFF

- i. Co-Chairs - Mack and Adam
- ii. Riddle contest about Niagara Falls
- iii. Next Meeting: TBD

### b. Youth Voice

- i. Co-Chair - Hinkal
- ii. Adulting event with speakers and former MYAC alumni
- iii. Next Meeting: February 18th at 6:00 pm

### c. Giving Back

- i. Co-Chair - Katie
- ii. Movie Night finalization in May (input on movie ideas)
- iii. Volunteer Hours Contest
- iv. Next Meeting: TBD

### d. Green

- i. Co-Chairs - Maddox and Pranshu
- ii. Children's memorial garden at Fairview Cemetery
- iii. Goose Chase interschool contest (do challenges to earn points)
- iv. Tree giveaway
- v. Next Meeting: TBD

### e. Mental Health

- i. Co-Chair - Avary Watson
- ii. Academic success night on Tuesday, April 12th.
- iii. Art Contest (Reaching out to art teachers to get more participation.)



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- iv. Short Story Contest starting soon (Reaching out to Guidance and English teachers)
- v. Next Meeting: TBD

## 6. New Business

- i. Hiring for REACT positions
  - Good opportunity to work with other high schools students on topics related to health.
  - Paid job with a set amount of hours each week.
  - Ask Saloney if you have any questions about the organization.

### Adjournment

Adjournment moved by <Daniel> and seconded by <Madison>

Carried