**City of Oak Ridge**

**Youth Advisory Board**

**Minutes**

**Jan 8, 2014**

The regular meeting of the Youth Advisory Board of the city of Oak Ridge was called to order at 2:04 p.m. in the Civic Center Social Room.

**Roll Call**

The following members were present: Caroline, Lauren, Abby, Ricky, Shane, Peter, Ryan, Riley, Ashley, Laura, Joel, Lewis, Kelsey, Shichen

The following members were absent: Shelby, Wesley

The following members were tardy: none.

The following at-large members were present: Koren, Candice

Visitors present: Eston Dunn (109 Hendrix Dr, OR), ORPD Chief Jim Akagi, Anne Garcia-Garland (OR city councilwoman)

**Approval of Minutes** Motion: Ricky Second: Lewis

**Reports of Officers**

1. Finance (Peter): Current balance is $18,066.85 after YAB grant, trip fees received and costs accounted for, and credit statement fee.

**Reports of Committees**

1. Opry Mills trip (Shichen, Laura): Mixed group attended, but mostly YAB members. 18 students, 4 adults. Successful.

**Unfinished Business**

1. Water Safety Classes- Classes are 1/15, 1/29, 2/12, and 2/26. Only 6 YAB members have signed up to help, so come if available!
2. Government Trip- 2/19; no contact from Chamber of Commerce board yet, but we would like to combined because event is more publicized. Possible discussion topics include drinking age, graduation requirements/Common Core, and standardized testing. Tour ideas include Titans Stadium, Wild Horse, State Museum, Library.

**New Business**

1. Graduation Celebration- registration is online at graduationcelebration.org. Theme is “Great Gatsby”. We need 215-220 volunteers, and funds! Party is always on Thursday night, and about 85% of class attend.
2. Skateboarders- No skateboarders attended. Possible ideas were skater safe-zones or “safety sticker” system. Goal is to keep skateboarders off the streets.

Motion to table discussion until skateboarder attendance is higher: Laura Second: Caroline

1. ORPD- Proposal (which passed) to add another SRO to ORHS. Very little can be done to prevent “Larry incidents”. The most important thing to do is increase communication and improve student-staff relations.

Motion to add meeting with ORPD to agenda: Ricky Second: Peter

**Announcements:** Next Meeting is on Jan. 22 @ 2:05 p.m.

**Adjournment**: Motion:Ricky Second: Shichen @ 3:33 p.m.

Minutes taken by: Abby Douglas, YAB Secretary Matt Reedy, City staff advisor