

Youth Services Task Force

Meeting Notes, 2/22/19

1) Updates and Introductions

- NOLS – a next steps conversation with Sequim Library expansion is coming up next Thursday at 5:30 PM in the meeting room at the Library. They have several upcoming workshops. Programs are being planned for Spring Break.
- The high school is recuperating from the snow and working on catching up. Snow days will be worked out later.
- The Boys & Girls Club is having the Daddy Daughter dance (originally postponed) on March 23. On April 3, they will have middle and high school students in Olympia to see elected officials in action. Their national keystone conference is upcoming. It is in Orlando in July. Fundraising is underway. They will be at the home show in Port Angeles. The drawing will be for tickets to Disney World. Tutoring for free is being offered at the OMC Medical Offices on 5th Avenue.
- Lisa Bridge is coordinating dances for all ages at the Sequim Prairie Grange.
- The City of Sequim is updating the Parks Master Plan, completing a human services grant funding process, and implementing a Participatory Budgeting Program.

2) Youth Services

a. Youth Summit – Middle School Involvement

- What is the status of the Joe Rantz fund project? This is a question posed that we want to answer. Work was underway for homeless youth lockers.
- The School District is advocating for mental health funding for youth
- Connecting with Middle School students is a good idea
- If we set a date to meet with students on a regular basis to plan this
- We could connect with the ASB at the Middle School and possibly a class to do some planning
- The Boys & Girls Club, Hurricane Coffee, and YMCA would be good places to publicize
- We should catch up with kids where they are in the normal flow of their day
- Right before the end part of the day or the end part of the day is the best approach
- The Parks Master Plan could get connected with this effort
- Follow up with the Middle School Principal
- We'll have a plan for the next summit

3) Youth Human Services

a. Drop-In Center

- Meeting space is an option
- An art component would be nice
- Ask the youth task force about this – show some examples of what could be done
- Lots of plug ins and high-speed internet

4) Future Agenda Items

- a. No March meeting
- b. Serenity House Youth Van Update
- c. Joe Rantz Fund Update
- d. Youth Summit