

## Minutes

Thursday, August 29, 2019

Russell Avenue Community Centre at 1:00pm

### Attendance:

Grayson Wadsworth-Hayes, Alex Mitchell, Sara Stevens, Councillor Kevin Townsend]

### Absent:

None

### Staff Liaison:

Koby Vanyo, Programs Supervisor

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1. **Call meeting to order (Chair)**  
Koby Vanyo called the meeting to order at 1:08pm
2. **Recognition of Traditional Territories**
3. **Additions / Deletions to the Agenda**  
There were none
4. **Motion to approve the agenda**  
Moved by Sara Stevens  
That the Agenda for the meeting of August 29, 2019 be approved.  
CARRIED
5. **Motion to adopt the minutes of the previous meeting**  
Not applicable
6. **Presentations (invited guests)**  
There were none
7. **Business arising from the minutes**  
Not applicable
8. **Business**
  - a. **General Introductions**

- b. Review of Terms of Reference** – City of St. Catharines website link to Terms of Reference emailed to members
- c. General Discussion of Youth Forum** – Councillor Townsend shared information regarding We Day [www.we.org](http://www.we.org) and noted that We Day is in Toronto on September 19, 2019  
Councillor Townsend spoke about the Youth Forum proposed for St. Catharines and highlighted the following:  
Brock University sponsorship, proposed  
Niagara College sponsorship, proposed  
Tom Rankin support  
Brian York, Director of Economic Development and Government Relations, City of St. Catharines support  
Canada Summer Games will have a strong connection  
Need to get community excited, networking with high schools and board superintendents  
Hopeful to have free tickets for students and support from boards of education to cover transportation costs  
Plan is to host the event in early May 2020 at the Meridian Centre

- d. Recruitment of general membership strategy**

- Identify which high schools are attending We Day in Toronto this year  
Research teacher contacts for We Day groups and Student Councils for high schools in St. Catharines including DSBN, NCDSB, Ridley and French School Boards

- e. Task Force Chair**

- A discussion was held regarding the appointment of a Chair for the Task Force. Councillor Townsend expressed interest in serving as a chair. Koby Vanyo will contact the City Clerk to confirm if this is permitted. The decision to appoint a Chair was deferred to a future meeting pending information from the City Clerk.

**9. Date of next meeting**

Tuesday, September 17, 2019

**10. Motion to Adjourn**

Moved by Grayson Wadsworth-Hayes  
That the meeting of August 29, 2019 be adjourned.  
CARRIED