

Del Mar Neighborhoods United
General Meeting Minutes

Nov. 20, 2019

Board Attending: Beth Strimpel, Jonathan Woodward, Yves Genty, Margaret Turco
Others Attending: Meg Allen, Karen Renz, Roxy Hernandez

Call to order.

Guest Dollar Lee from the Asia Pacific Development Center, site program coordinator at Central, Hinkley, and Aurora West.

Programs include a Youth Leadership Academy and mentoring, making a place (clubs, etc.) for kids who have common interests.

There is a Saturday Academy on topics including vaping, life skills, the census, suicide prevention, and workforce readiness.

There are volunteer opportunities to help oversee after school programs.

Dollar mostly takes care of support for contracted teachers, sponsors and grant reporting paperwork.

ICAP – Individual Career Assessment Program at Central has not been well-managed because of turnover in the last year.

They are hoping to coordinate more with Pickens Tech.

As for leaving school with a plan for the future, most kids aren't motivated to come up with a plan.

Many go straight to trade jobs or have to take care of younger siblings.

Another concern is the precarious future of Central H.S.

Beth is moving to N.M. and is resigning from the DMNU board.

Yves, account balances \$273.55 checking, \$25.01 savings.

Crystal Murillo is running for Mayor Pro Tem, vote is by the majority of the council. She brought housing issues to the council.

Crystal has been working with the academic adviser and principal at Central to get the school up to par by April. They need community members and others to mentor.

The last Ward I town hall of 2019 is Nov. 21st at Moorhead rec. center.

Jonathan received notice of a proposed multi-family just south of the Stanley, mostly studios and one-bedrooms.

At the Oct. 26th clean-up with Bill Gondrez from NANO, they collected 26 tires that Discount Tire took for recycling. They could look for sponsors for future clean-ups, and partner with Aurora Central.

Talked about co-offices and new restaurants, new Mayor Mike Coffman.

Tree lighting Dec. 3rd, 5-7 pm

Next council meeting Dec. 2nd, new council members will be sworn in.

The 2020 Census will have an office at 6th & Sable.

Talk about how often we meet. Maybe quarterly, but don't want to shut down. We need to keep up and engaged with new changes. Need to keep our members informed and maintain contact with our government representatives.

Adjourn