

WCYP Meeting Minutes
Thursday, March 27, 2025 – 6:30pm
Don Tomasso's, Upper Sandusky

Attendance: Hannah Barnes, Alex Barth, Dan Biller, Tiffany Biller, Scott Boes, Seth Fitzgerald, Dan Hayman, Lesley Hayman, Tom Karcher, Brian Kimmel, Brian Kummerer, Greg Moon, Jessica Moon, Zach Morral, Ben Mullins, Drew Rall, Tricia Rall, Jenna Rodriguez, Millie Thelen, Jen Tran, and Desiree Young.

President Scott Boes called the meeting to order at 6:50 p.m.

Treasurer's Report – Drew announced there was a balance of \$60,502.05 in the checking account.

- Budgeted expenses include \$8,000 for annual scholarships and \$360 for the website renewal.
 - Of the money in the checking account, \$13,600 had been collected for 2025 Wyanstock.

Committee Updates:

- Scholarships
 - Scholarships were reviewed prior to the start of the meeting by those in attendance.
 - It was noted that only 1 trade school application was received. Suggestions were made to advertise the availability of our trade school scholarship directly to the area technical schools that our high schools utilize.
 - Many of the scholarship applications received did not follow the directions shared with each school, which has been the case for many years.
 - Some suggestions were made about how we can improve communications in the future including handling the marketing of the WCYP scholarships outside of the high schools and collecting applications directly online or via email.
 - It was also suggested that we honor scholarship winners in some way at an event. A popular suggestion was to have winners attend Wyanstock and announce them onstage.
- Wyanstock
 - Scott announced the committee met last month and continues working through many items. Getting marketing information out is a top priority in the near future.
 - Scott also was contacted by the Health Department, which may have grant funds to use for providing transportation during the event. They would contract Wyandot Rides to provide a few vehicles, that would primarily be there for scheduled service meaning riders would need to call and schedule their transportation in advance.
 - Likely, there would be limited on-demand service available as well, but that is not something that would be promoted.

Old Business

- City Alley Closure
 - Zach and Tom provided some updates on the City alley closure, and noted there were quotes for both the tables and chairs to be placed in the alley for public use (\$8,000) as well as a quote to repair and paint the side of the Richardson's Flowers building (\$11,000). There will likely be some additional expenses sources for Edison bulb lighting in the alley, but those numbers were not yet available.

- There were some questions raised about putting money toward the refurbishment of private property.
 - After some discussion, Seth made a motion to donate up to \$8,000 to the City of Upper Sandusky specifically for the purchase of tables, chairs, and benches to be used in the new alley space. Millie seconded the motion, which was then approved unanimously by way of voice vote.

New Business

- USHS Career Speaker Series
 - Seth has organized assembly time with the USYP and his other DECA students to hear from professionals in the community about their various careers, what they involve, and how they got there.
 - He is looking for 2 speakers every-other Thursday during the 10:00 hour.
 - Brian Kimmel, Greg Moon, Brian Kummerer, Jen Tran, Drew and Tricia Rall, and Ben Mullins all volunteered, and Seth now has enough speakers to fill out the rest of this school year. He plans to continue the program all next year as well.
- Donation Requests
 - USHS DECA
 - Seth again has DECA students competing in the national competition. In order to do so, they placed among the top students in Ohio.
 - The club cannot cover the cost of chaperones to attend the event. Seth asked for \$475 each to cover the cost of hotel rooms for 2 chaperones.
 - Ben made a motion to donate \$950 to USHS DECA, and Jenna seconded the motion. The motion was then passed unanimously by way of voice vote.
 - Upper Sandusky Fire Department
 - The USFD is seeking donations on behalf of the National Fire Safety Council, which provides fire safety education in the local schools.
 - WCYP donated \$300 the past 2 years in a row.
 - Leslie made a motion to donate \$500 to the National Fire Safety Council and Brian seconded the motion. The motion was then passed unanimously by way of voice vote.
 - USHS Yearbook Advertisement
 - A letter was received regarding advertising spaced in the annual yearbook.
 - This was not something WCYP had done in the past.
 - Seth and Jenna noted that the USYP should receive a page in the yearbook as all of the other high school clubs do, and that could be an opportunity for both groups.
 - It was decided to table discussion and Seth & Jenna would follow up with the yearbook editor.
- Upper Sandusky Wayfinding Sign
 - Brian Kummerer spoke with Wyandot Chamber of Commerce Director Brittney Walton regarding the new downtown wayfinding sign, and suggested the WCYP reserve a 2-year spot at the cost of \$200 to put a “Cedar Point - 54 miles” advertisement with the WCYP logo on the sign.

- Brian made a motion to reserve the \$200 space, and Jessica seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously by way of voice vote.

Adjourn

- Brian Kimmel moved to adjourn the meeting, and Tricia seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned.