



# Milwaukee County Meeting Minutes

## Milwaukee County Youth Commission Committee of the Whole

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### *Adult Advisors*

*Nicolasa Alamilla, Deon Canon, Ald. Sharlen P. Moore, Nichole Todd, Sup. Kathleen Vincent*

### *Administrative Coordinator*

*Julia Balestrieri*

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Wednesday, March 19, 2025

5:30 PM

Room 203-R & Microsoft Teams

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### **HYBRID MEETING**

HYBRID MEETING: This meeting will be held in Room 203-R and live-streamed on the County Legislative Information Center: [Milwaukee County - Milwaukee County Youth Commission \(legistar.com\)](https://legistar.com)

### **CALL TO ORDER**

**ROLL CALL: 5:36 PM**

**Presence: Kaminski, Dunn, Bruett, Elko, Ezzo, Ghelani, Cockfield, Neely, Paranjya, Shaker, Slaasted, Vang, Taylor**

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

- 1. The Milwaukee County Office of the Comptroller- Research & Policy Division provides an overview of the resolution writing process (Information Only)**

Jane Ganier presented on:

How to become a research and Police Analyst?

Writing a resolution; Title – Every resolution starts with a title.

Writing a resolution: Whereas Clause

Whereas = WHY

WHY is this important

WHY is this happening now?

WHY are we choosing the method that we are choosing?

Whereas clauses are only one sentence.

Be it Resolved clauses:

BE IT RESOLVED = what is to be done

Each: be it resolved clause is one sentence

First clause: BE IT RESOLVED

Second and on clauses: BE IT FUTHER RESOLEVED,

End last clause with a.

Writing a Resolution: Tips

Know who has the authority to do this before you start

You can always request that a different authority does something

It is better to write something imperfect than to write nothing

The more you write the easier it gets.

## **2. 2025 Day of Advocacy Overview and Preparation by Alec Knutson, Office of Government Affairs (Information Only)**

What is advocacy?

Structure

Meetings:

Wisconsin Governor Tony Evers

Members of the Wisconsin State Legislature

Who represents Milwaukee County

State Assembly

99 districts/members

State Senate

33 districts/members

Three assembly districts in each senate district

State Superintendent of the Department of Public Instruction (DPI) Jill Underly  
(unconfirmed)

Priority Areas

Ending youth homelessness in Milwaukee County

Increasing youth mental wellness

Increasing youth civic engagement

## RESOLUTIONS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES

### *From the Committee on Community Engagement and Racial Justice*

#### **3. Social Media and Content Approval Policy Review (Action Item)**

Background: In July of 2023, the Milwaukee County Youth Commission passed the following process. The Commission should review and revise/update this policy annually.

Proposed: The Milwaukee County Youth Commission approves the following updates to the social media and Content Approval Policy

Authored by: Commissioners Slaasted, Vang, and Paranjyia

Updated process (3/2025):

- The Committee on Community Engagement & Racial Justice will manage the social media content for the Milwaukee County Youth Commission.
- The social media content managers for the Milwaukee County Youth Commission's official social media page(s) shall include: the two Youth Commission Co-Chairs, Chair and Vice Chair(s) of the Committee on Community Engagement & Racial Justice, for approval, and the Communications Officer(s).
- The social media content managers shall complete a brief social media training with the Office of the County Clerk prior to approving/managing posts.
- Any Youth Commissioner can send proposed social media content to the content managers via Direct Message on the social media platform.
- Approval shall be granted by no fewer than three of the content managers and pushed through to be posted.
  - For posts related to events in which the Youth Commission has participated or will be participating, posts should be coordinated by the Adult Advisor in charge of social media to avoid multiple posts about the same event.
- In addition to the content managers, the following individuals shall have login credentials for the Youth Commission's social media page(s):

- Communication Team within the Milwaukee County Clerk's Office
- Adult Advisors
- Operating Partner -Primary contact
- Youth Commission Administrative Coordinator (Milwaukee County employee)
- **Milwaukee County can retract or delete a social media post that it deems to be inappropriate or inconsistent with the values and ethics of Milwaukee County.**
  - If a post must be retracted or deleted by Milwaukee County, the Youth Commissioner(s) who suggested and approved the content shall be required to complete additional training from the Office of the County Clerk before they are allowed to suggest posts or manage content again.
- Comments, responses, and other activity on approved posts may be made by any content manager or any individual with login credentials/access.
- If social media pages/platforms are connected for replicated posts, one approval shall satisfy the requirement for both pages/platforms.

**Kaminski motion**

**Elko 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**Question? Kaminski clarifying this question is for the adult advisors for the content managers. How do we go about communication with the content managers? Do we like, like the post or the link on the Instagram page or email like or text I don't know.**

**Chair great question?**

**Nicko-- permission to speak? I have a question for you like, what do you want to achieve? Like we want to know what do you want to achieve, like what works best for you?**

**Mr. Chair-Dion- yes-Mr. Dion- you should make a motion to amend this if you want to change it.**

**Kaminski I would like to amend this item, to add a line that says: Approval shall be granted by no fewer than three of the content managers upon receiving a request from a commissioner to make a post the adult advisors should email the request to the content managers and receive three approvals from the content managers.**

**Shaker 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**13 Ayes**

**0 No**

**Amendment passes**

**Motion with amendments**

**No questions**

**13 Ayes**

**0 no**

**Item passes**

**4. 2025 Quarterly Volunteer Opportunities (Action Item)**

Background: In March of 2024, the Milwaukee County Youth Commission passed the following process.

Proposed: The Milwaukee County Youth Commission approves the following resolution to require participation in community service opportunities

Updated policy (3/2025):

*The Milwaukee County Youth Commission requests that the Office of Strategy, Budget, & Performance schedules four community service opportunities 4 per year, generally one per quarter, and requires that every Youth Commissioner participates in (at least) two of the opportunities per 12-month period as part of their commitment to the Youth Commission (prorated for terms that are less than one year).*

**SAVE THE DATES:**

- **Saturday, June 21, 2025, and Saturday, September 27, 2025**
  - 10:30 AM-1:00 PM
  - Preparing and distributing food to individuals and families at the Gathering- Running Rebels location
  - 1300 W. Fond Du Lac Ave., Milwaukee, WI 53205
  - RSVP form forthcoming
  
- **Possibilities for November and December**
  - Milwaukee County Parks Breakfast with Santa (December)
  - Another shift at the Gathering- Running Rebels location (November or December)

- Food volunteer opportunity with Rooted & Rising- Washington Park (more information available upon request)
- Please reach out to the administrative coordinator if you have further suggestions for your final two 2025 volunteer opportunities.

Slaasted motion to approve

Paranjyia 2<sup>nd</sup>

Debate on the item: None

13 Ayes

0 No

Motion prevails

**5. Take a Child to Workday- Overview and Planning Update (Information Only)**

- Date: Thursday, April 24, 2025
- Theme: Infrastructure-Building a strong infrastructure
- Location: Boerner Botanical Gardens,
- The Planning Committee will make planning-related decisions as needed.

**Permission slips will be sent out in 2 to 3 weeks**

**6. Preview Upcoming Events & Responsibilities (Information Only)**

Review of upcoming events from the 2025 Youth Commission Calendar of Events, including:

- Day of Advocacy- April 9, 2025
  - Wisconsin State Capitol, 2 E. Main St., Madison, WI 53702
  - 7:30 AM-4:30 PM
    - NOTE: Directly following the April 9 Day of Advocacy event is the April Governance, Finance, & Evaluation Committee meeting at 5:30 PM.
- Take a Child to Workday- April 24, 2025
  - Location: Boerner Botanical Gardens
  - Time: 9 AM-1 PM
- Spring Retreat- April 26, 2025
  - Wehr Nature Center, 9701 W. College Ave., Franklin, WI 53132
  - 11 AM-2 PM

**7. Open Forum (Time Permitting)**

**Motion to ADJOURNMENT**

**Elko motion,**

**Essco 2<sup>nd</sup> 6:59 PM**

Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) accommodation requests:

ADA accommodation requests should be filed with the Milwaukee County Office for Persons with Disabilities, 278-3932 (voice) or 711 (TRS), upon receipt of this notice.