Mayor's Youth Council

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MYC Bylaws Discussion

- Organizational culture is a broad term commonly associated with growth
- Developing programs and finding creative ways that we can offer programs that cover physiological, safety, sense belongingness, increased self-esteem and actualization are paramount to the success of the Mayor's Youth Council

Mayor's Youth Council :

"The Mayor's Youth Council is tasked with identifying key community issues that face Burleson youth. The board focuses on being engaged with City Council and voicing new ideas and thoughts about areas that pertain to youth."

How do we accomplish this?

- Reviewing and making changes to the structure of the organization to create a position for success
- The last Bylaw changes were made in 2022. It's a good practice to make continual changes to broaden the scope of service of the Mayor's Youth Council
- This is a common practice of transformational leadership

Summary of Proposed Changes

• Membership:

- Proposed changes include reducing the membership from 28 to 15. Five of the 15 members will be nominated by their peers to serve on the executive committee, and 10 will be at large.
- Representatives or counselors/educators are proposed to be removed. I understand we have not had a representative in this position for some time.
- Representatives from board members of JISD and BISD are proposed to be deleted.
- The youth member alternates list is proposed to be deleted. Granted, we will always maintain a vetted list of people for the MYC. In the event there is a vacancy, we will look to fill that position immediately with a qualified applicant.

• Regular and Special Meetings:

• The reference to ensuring the calendars of the school district are not in conflict with the MYC is proposed to be deleted. Of course, each year when the calendar is developed, we will reference the district's calendar to accommodate essential test dates, holidays, etc.

• Quorum Requirements:

• This section could change again, depending on where we land with the membership requirements.



Moving Forward

- The next meeting is August 26th
- Executive Committee will meet in prior to the next regularly scheduled meeting
- You opinion is vital. Email, call or meet with me to discuss any issues, questions or proposed changes that you have regarding the ByLaws
- You will be asked to vote on them at the August 26th meeting



Mayor's Youth Council Goals



Goal Setting

- What are the priorities for the Mayor's Youth Council this year?
- What do you want to see?

Creating an action plan:

- Feedback regarding the special events for the remainder of the year.
- Increased participation by bringing in community leaders to share success stories and cultivate strategies that will position you to be successful in your next steps.



Feedback

- Council feedback is critical!
 - What initiatives would you like to see?
 - What business leaders or industry would you like to have brought in for future discussions?





Questions Comments

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