

DuPage Township Youth Committee Meeting Minutes
241 Canterbury Lane Bolingbrook
April 25, 2022

- i. Call to order by Chair - @6:08pm
- ii. Pledge of Allegiance
- iii. Roll Call - Barb, Celia, Terri and Tina – absent: Dorothy, Kim, Celina, Reem
Guests: Emily Deagan (AVM), Sandy Stewart (AVM), Sarah Sciortino (Lukansik) and Rachael DeWitt (Lukansik)
- iv. Approval of Agenda – Motion to approve, Barb – Second, Terri
- v. Approval of March Meeting Minutes
- vi. Trustee Liaison Report -Easter Egg Hunt was successful. 250 attended. We have notes for next year. Summer Bridge, post fliers. No applicants yet. Kids Fest is cancelled.
- vii. New Business
 - a. STARS Update – Oct. 22 date planned. Stars reps (see guests above) put together a proposal. See attached papers from STARS representatives from VVSD. Meijer and Ashbury’s helped with food in the past.
 - b. Egg Hunt Highlights – We are rebuilding. Need more adult volunteers. Was a good event
 - c. Summer Bridge Update – Need a coordinator by May 15th. June 13-Aug 5 dates Will use high school age kids to help run program with coordinator. VVSD is doing a free camp also for elementary thru middle school age
 - d. Kids Fest Canceled
- viii. Old Business
 - a. Mission Statement – tabled for next month
- ix. Public Comments – Don’t forget to do the Open Meetings Training
- x. Member Comments - none
- xi. Adjournment – Motion Terri, Second Celia @ 7:06pm

****Please attach papers from Stars reps****

S.T.A.R.S Proposal for 2022-2023 School Year

Valley View School District 365u Middle Schools is looking for support to bring back **S.T.A.R.S** (Students Taking A Responsible Stand). The program would run for the entire school year. It would kick off with a one day workshop of all middle schools together that would take place on Saturday October 22, 2022 at one of the middle schools. Then all middle schools would meet at least once a month to continue to go over/implement what was introduced and talked about at the kick off day.

Students participating would be in grades 6-8. Students would have been nominated by their teachers and would be students that with a little booster shot of self-esteem or a guiding hand could prove to be positive leaders and role models in our schools and communities. These students demonstrate courtesy and respect but maybe lack confidence to lead. This workshop will help those students develop those skills that they would be able to implement throughout the year. All students that are nominated by their teachers would receive a permission slip- the first 30 students (per building) to turn the permission slip in with \$10 would be able to participate in STARS. (The \$10 would cover the cost of the t-shirt and other costs associated with the day). Each building would donate \$100 to the day.

Outline for Oct 22, 2022 (based on past years)

- 9:00am - 4:00pm
- Past Agenda for ideas
 - Students are fed breakfast, lunch, snack (obtained through donations- kitchen staff on hand)
 - Small group sessions (lead by high school students- NHS/leadership and monitored by staff members volunteering their Saturday)
 - Motivational Speakers
 - Students receive t-shirt

Who is in charge of what

DuPage Township	Valley View School District Sponsors
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Food (breakfast/lunch/snack) - <input type="checkbox"/> Binders/Materials- for all volunteers (small group activities) <input type="checkbox"/> DJ <input type="checkbox"/> Motivational Speakers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Potential local speakers: <input type="checkbox"/> <u>Matt Wilhelm</u> BMX Biker <input type="checkbox"/> <u>Tim Hanig</u> Magician <input type="checkbox"/> Local leader panel made up of political, school and business leaders 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> High School Volunteers (BHS/RHS) <input type="checkbox"/> Staff Volunteers (approx 10/building) <input type="checkbox"/> Organize students <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> permission slips <input type="checkbox"/> follow up reminders to students <input type="checkbox"/> Master List completed <input type="checkbox"/> Name Tags <input type="checkbox"/> Kitchen Staff <input type="checkbox"/> Maintenance Staff <input type="checkbox"/> Tshirt Orders (maybe through Locker Room or Print Shop) <input type="checkbox"/> Make <u>warm fuzzies</u> in school colors (purchase yarn) for each student <input type="checkbox"/> Set up at host school Friday before

After the big kick off day

- Each middle school would meet at least once a month to continue to talk about what they learned. DuPage Township said that they could provide the curriculum so that it is the same in all buildings. District will provide stipends to the building club sponsors and absorb any other ongoing costs.
- End of the year wrap-up with students to see progress.
- End of the year wrap-up with staff to see what is working or isn't working with the program.

Hello JJL Staff!

We are asking for your help to make our JJL STARS shine!!!

What is S.T.A.R.S (Students Taking A Responsible Stand)?

This is a program aimed at helping students build their leadership skills. Valley View School District and the DuPage Township have worked together for years to bring this program to Valley View Middle School students. In years past the program hosted a mini leadership convention- we are unsure about the convention at this point but we are looking at continuing the program and expanding it at JJL by including meetings throughout the year.

This is NOT for students that are IN NEED OF ATTITUDE ADJUSTMENTS or COMPLETE PERSONALITY METAMORPHOSIS! This IS for students within your classroom who (with a booster shot of self-esteem or a guiding hand) could prove to be positive leaders and role models. They may already demonstrate courtesy and respect, but lack the confidence to lead. Or maybe they're just "plain 'ol good kids." Or maybe there are some students who are on the "borderline of making wise choices" because they lack the confidence when it comes to overcoming peer pressure. Write their names down, too!

We're asking for student nominations by FRIDAY, Oct 15th. , **so please fill out the Google form to nominate students (in the google form you can nominate up to 5 - if you have more please just fill out the form more than once) that you would like to see as part of S.T.A.R.S. this year.**

Student Nomination Form

Any questions please let Rachael DeWitt or Sarah Sciortino know.

Thank you