

Landon Gray Smith

Secretary

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## Hernando Mayor's Youth Council Meeting Minutes

Thursday, September 7, 2017

- 6:35PM- Meeting starts.

This is the first Mayor's Youth Council meeting of the 2017-2018 year.

Mrs. Gia passes out remainder of last year's 2017 President's Volunteer Service Awards (award for dedication and commitment to community service signed by the President of the United States and pins included).

- 6:36PM- Pledge and prayer led by council Chaplain, Macy Kate Garner.

Council President, Grace Owens, introduces the city officials who sponsor our Mayor's Youth Council (Mrs. Gia Matheny, Mrs. Jessica, and Mayor Tom Ferguson).

Council Communications Officer, Matt Davis, reads and explains information out of the Mississippi Official and Statistical Register 2016-2020 Blue Book.

- 6:40PM- Grace reads the Hernando Mayor's Youth Council By-Laws.

By-Laws discussed are as followed:

- Article I. Intent
- Article II. Offices
- Article III. Members:

Section 1. Regular Meetings

Section 2. Special Meetings

Section 3. Place of Meeting

Section 4. Notice of Meeting

Section 5. Voting

Section 7. Election and Term of Office

Section 8. Members

Section 9. Member Requirements

○ Article VI. Officer Duties:

Section 1. Regular Meetings

Section 2. Officer Requirements

Section 3. Vacancies

Section 4. President (Grace Owens)

Section 5. Vice President (Natalie Shoffner)

Section 6. Secretary (Landon Smith)

Section 7. Communications Officer (Matt Davis)

Section 8. Chaplain (Macy Kate Garner)

○ Article VII. Membership:

Section 1. Membership Requirements

Section 2. Officers

Section 3. Non-Executive Members

Section 4. Youth Statewide Leadership Summit

○ Article VIII. Service Hours

○ Article IX. Amendments

- Article X. Adoption and Effective Date

Members must flip to the last page of the By-Laws packet and read and sign. Members, new or returning, must fill out the Mayor's Youth Leadership Council Release of Liability form. Members can turn in signed forms to the Hernando City Hall to Mrs. Gia or to the left of Mr. Dodson's door (Room 103).

- 6:41PM- Grace reads how members must attend at least 55% of the meetings, excluding executive sessions. Members are also required to earn a total of 18 hours through community service projects sponsored by the Hernando Mayor's Youth Council.
- 6:42PM- Mayor Tom Ferguson is properly introduced by the executive officers.
- 6:43PM- Officers introduce themselves, saying their name, their grade, and their personal favorite part of our Hernando Mayor's Youth Council, and explaining their officer position. Officers also introduce and explain what the Hernando Mayor's Youth Council is about and what their ambitions are. The Mayor's Youth Council is a volunteer group focused on helping the community of Hernando, which offers several ways to get community service hours. Our Council focuses on health, education, environment, the needy, and beautification of Hernando, MS.
- 6:45PM- Secretary Landon Smith explains the examples of the council's future community service projects, including:
  - Children's Health Fair and Bicycle Safety Village (Gale Community Center)- Saturday, September 23, 2017 from 10am - 2pm
  - Hernando Farmer's Market (Historic Town Square)- Saturdays from 8AM until 1PM until Saturday, October 28, 2017: some events at market
  - Water Tower 10K Race (Elm Street, Hernando City Hall)- Saturday, October 7, 2017 at 8AM

- Play Day in the Park Presented by Hernando Parks and Recreation (Conger Park)-  
Saturday, October 14, 2017
- 2017 Halloween OFF the Square Hosted by the Hernando Main Street Chamber of  
Commerce (Hernando Main Street Chamber of Commerce)- Saturday, October 21, 2017  
from 4PM-6PM
- Bike Ride with the Hernando Police Department (Historic Town Square)- Fall 2017  
(official date to be announced)
- Kroger Holiday Food Drive (Kroger Marketplace Hernando)- November and December  
2017 (official dates to be announced)
- Christmas Caroling (Wesley Meadows Senior Living and Grove Community Park)-  
December 2017 (official date to be announced)
- Cookies with Santa Presented by Hernando Parks and Recreation (Gale Community  
Center)- December 2017 (official date to be announced)
- InterFaith Food Distribution (Holy Spirit Catholic Church)- December 2017 (official date  
to be announced)
- GO RED Zumbathon Party (Gale Community Center)- February 2018 (official date to be  
announced)
- DeSoto County Clean Up Day (Hernando High School)- Spring 2018 (official date to be  
announced)
- 6:48PM- Community Service Officer, Matt, explains the Mississippi Municipal League Statewide  
Leadership Summit. The Summit is an overnight, two-day trip in which the council and other  
mayor's youth councils in the state of Mississippi learn valuable leadership skills and take a tour  
of a college. At the Summit two years ago, the Hernando Mayor's Youth Council had a voting

simulation presentation. In March 2017, the council went to Delta State University and toured the GRAMMY Museum Mississippi.

- 6:50PM- Grace tells the Mayor's Youth Council Remind 101 information. Council members can text her off of it if they have any questions. Text @myc2017 to 810-10 to join our Remind 101 and receive updates on future volunteer opportunities and meetings. All meetings are the first and third Thursday of the month at 6:30 at the Hernando City Hall. The third Thursday, the council is provided food donated by local Hernando businesses.
- 6:52PM- Ice-breaker game begins.
- 7:05PM- meeting adjourned.