

Sioux City Mayor's Youth Commission
Full MYC Minutes
Monday, October 20, 2025, 7:00 p.m.
City Hall Council Chambers
Sioux City, Iowa

Present: 51 MYC and Young Ambassador members, 25parents, guest/speaker Jennifer Jackson, and 5 Adult Advisors including Sgt. Jim Cunningham, Jenny Gasaway, Mary Koster, JoAnn Gieselman, Traci Markowsky and Kathy Moller,

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. by Mayor Layla Lilly.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Legal Director Tate Behrens.

Kindness Connects Us Welcome was given by JoAnn Gieselman who spoke about Friendliness.

An Ice Breaker – “Telephone” – was led by Austin Kathol and CJ Rooney.

The Finance report was given by Finance Director Vanessa Koelling showing that \$1,106.78 has been spent to date, leaving a balance of \$4,893.22. Total budget is \$6,000.00; fiscal year is from July 1 - June 30. Finance report was accepted on motion by MaKenna Kass, seconded by Tate Behrens, and carried.

The minutes of the September 15, 2025, meeting were reviewed by Administrative Service Director Meron Tsegay and were accepted on motion by MaKenna Kass, seconded by Vanessa Koelling, and carried.

Mary Koster, Youth Services Coordinator, reported on the upcoming volunteer opportunities: November Lighted Parade on November 24, 2025, December 8, 2025, Senior Appreciation.

The program meeting concentrated on Red Ribbon Week with Young Ambassadors making Red Ribbons for their friends and schoolmates and family, and the MYC students participated in a Substance Use Disorder Prevention program presented by Katlin Harvey of Rosecrance Jackson.

The next full MYC meeting will be Monday, November 24, 2025, and will be the Downtown for the Holidays Lighted Parade.

On a motion by MaKenna Kass, and a second by Tate Behrens, the meeting was adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Meron Tsegay, Acting Administrative Service Director