



EDWARDSVILLE – SIUE COMMUNITY DESTINATION GROUP MINUTES May 18, 2021

Call to Order: 6:05 pm

Present: Chairman Chad Verbais, Paul Pitts, Cary Harvengt, Joel Hardman, Isabella Pruitt, and MacKenzie Randolph

Also Present: James Arnold and Desiree Gerber

Absent: Melissa McDonough-Borden, Hailee O'Dell, and Tyler Manning

Review of April Minutes: Joel Hardman made a motion to approve the April minutes and Paul Pitts seconded the motion. All were in favor of approving the minutes.

Nomination of new Treasurer: Chad nominated Cary Harvengt as the new Treasurer and Joel Hardman seconded the motion. All were in favor of approving Cary as the Treasurer.

Financial Report: Desiree reported that we ended in the red in the amount of \$118.99, but this does not come out of this year's budget. We are beginning the fiscal year with \$12,000.00.

Springboard: The Springboard videos are still in production and took several days to shoot the entire tour route. Video footage was shot for the tour, as well as, new footage of Chancellor Pembroke and Mayor Art Risavy. Springboard will take place in Dunham Hall Theatre from 2:20-2:50 pm and 2:55—3:25 pm each day. Tables will be set up in the Goshen Lounge, and Chad will be handing out bags, notebooks, and maps. He is going to save the remaining water bottles for distribution on the quad once the new term begins. Joel will be helping out on Tuesday.

20th Anniversary of the Edwardsville Arts Center Art Contest: Missy was not present, but Chad stated that the "Better Together" Banner Contest information has been distributed to SIUE students and is in E-Today. The EAC has the information on their website and Facebook page, and has distributed the contest information to District 7 students. EAC will have two classes focusing on creating artwork for the banner contest, and there should be an article in the Intelligencer.

City Admins/Student Government website at SIUE: Cary sent updated information to Tyler which includes Mayor Art Risavy and James Arnold, the Economic and Community Development Director.

Rotary Student Leader of the Month: Tyler Manning was not present to report on the Rotary Student Leader of the Month.

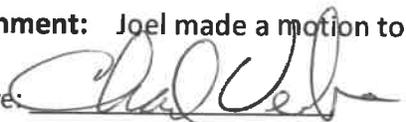
Safe Zone Training and Anti-Racism Training opportunities: Paul Pitts was asked about the Ministerial Alliance conducting Safe Zone Training, but Paul must have had technical difficulties and did not respond. Cary reminded the group of the Edwardsville Public Library's I.D.E.A. Book Club discussion. Nickel Boys will be discussed on May 27 with Dr. Howard Ramsby speaking at the Wildey Theatre on June 3.

New ideas for Community Traditions: Chad discussed integrating the scavenger hunt idea from last year with SIUE's poster, "57 things to do at the E", and tying that to the City with "18 things to do in the City of Edwardsville." The number 18 arising from the City being founded in 1818. It could be a public relations piece for the City and a play on our scavenger hunt idea. Chad would like everyone to think about this idea, as well as, a welcome back party for the students.

Next meeting: There will be no meeting in June. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 20, 2021 at 6 pm in the Governor Edwards Conference Room in person.

Adjournment: Joel made a motion to adjourn, and all were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 6:48 pm.

Signature:

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Chad", written over a horizontal line.