

Teen Advisory Committee

Annual Report of FY2020

The members of the FY 2020 Teen Advisory Committee were: Sherrelle King (HS Committee Chair), Leah Williams (MS Chair) Trokon Anderson (HS Vice Chair), Jamien (Secretary) Zhion Perkins (Sergeant at Arms), Shakari Prue (Social Media –Marketing Advisor). Committee Members: Simeon Watson, Isaiah Wilkes, Jaden Gallman, Kimari Chong

The staff liaison was M. Safire Windley. The committee met twice a month beginning September through February during FY 20.

A. Committee Accomplishments:

- **Middle School Takeover at Supreme Sports Club, Middle School Pool Party July 26, High School Pool Party August 9.** Hosted 2 free pool parties for their respective peers. Both pool parties were held at Locust Park Neighborhood Pool. Youth enjoyed swimming, water games, contests, and snacks. A total of 45 students were served
- **Hear My Voice Teen Idol Competition:** finals of Teen Idol Competition wer held at the Downtown Lakefront on October 13, 2019. Over 200 people participated.
- **Friday Night Live January 24, 2020.** Committee hosted 1 free-themed evening event, targeting Middle and High School students, 30 participants.
- Members of the Teen Advisory Committee attended **Champions for Change Conference on December 4, 2019** hosted by Office of the Local Children’s Board- Department of Community Resources and Services.TAC members had the opportunity to attend several workshops that included topics on crisis response, racial equity, collective impact,and community engagement. In addition to attending workshops they participated in the NETWORKING segment of the conference by having a Youth and Teen Center display to share programs and activities with attendees.

Proposed Charge submitted for approval by the CA Board identifying items to be addressed by Committee by FY21

- Assist CA in advocating for and about youth programs. Inform and advise CA of community issues and opportunities as they relate to Columbia youth.
- Plan and execute activities through which a safe and welcoming environment can be offered to Columbia youth
- Promote opportunities through which Columbia youth can express themselves and find their voice
- Partner with like-minded organizations to enhance the quality of life for Columbia youth and teens.

B. Committee Recommendations, if any, with justification, for consideration by CA Board

Committee Charge Approved by CA Board _____,2020