



SNELLVILLE YOUTH COUNCIL
SYC ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
CITY OF SNELLVILLE
THURSDAY, MARCH 5, 2026

Present: Snellville Youth Council (SYC) Director Esther Ndewa, Councilwoman Richelle Brown, Student leaders Thomas Woudneh, Robel Ayele, Advisory Board Members Vickie Mitchell, Richard Varnell, Natalya Bryant, and Rodney Lumpkins.

CALL TO ORDER:

Vickie Mitchell called the meeting to order at 6:52pm.

INVITED GUESTS:

None.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

SYC Meeting: March 21, 2026

Esther reviewed the date and time for the next SYC student meeting.

Next Regular Advisory Board Meeting: Thursday, April 2, 2026 @ 6:30 pm

Esther reviewed the date and time for the next SYC Advisory Board meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

February Student Meeting Recap

Student leaders Thomas Woudneh and Robel Ayele shared their experiences about the February student meeting. Woudneh & Thomas expressed multiple ideas on similar meeting ideas for the future.

NEW BUSINESS:

GLBC Annual Heritage Gala

Councilwoman Richelle Brown & Esther Ndewa reviewed photos from the GLBC Annual Heritage Gala and provided insights from her experience, as well as information obtained from others, to support SYC students.

Student Recognition & Awards

Ndewa recognized Daye Kebe and Blessing Onyeanula for their accomplishments outside of SYC.

Juneteenth Preparation & Updates

Brown reviewed the Unity Day vendor map, outlined expectations for student leadership in preparation for the event, and proposed restructuring mentor groups to align with Juneteenth planning committees.

March Student Meeting

Ndewa reviewed the topics for the March meeting, including financial literacy, scholarship opportunities, and credit building, and discussed potential guest speakers.

Consideration and Action on Budgetary Items Above \$250.00

None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None.

ADJOURNMENT:

Vickie made a motion to adjourn, 2nd by Natalya Bryant, 6 in favor and 0 opposed, meeting adjourned at 8:05pm.