

Sacramento County Youth Commission

Tomorrow's Leaders Leading Today

Minutes
Monday, March 19, 2007

Chair:	Amanda Koire
Vice Chair:	Christine Braziel
Secretary:	Harkirat Hansra

Attendance:

District 1	Katie Batten	X
	Kristina Wong	X
	<i>Vacant</i>	<i>Vacant</i>
District 2	Elissa Ouchida	X
	Clark Taylor	X
	Cynthia Tsay	X
District 3	Amanda Koire	X
	Rachel Sussman	X
	Dale Till	X
District 4	Christine Braziel	X
	Naomi Endsley	X
	Leah Bloom	X
District 5	Harkirat Hansra	X
	Stacey Howell	X
	Tiffany Jones	<i>Absent</i>

Advisor: Michele Watts

Guests: Sylvia Perscheid, Supervisor Don Nottoli's Office
Kim Dahl

Agenda:

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:18 p.m.
2. **Announcements and Comments:**
 - Information was given regarding a web dialogue.
 - We received the certificate for participation in the News 10's Coats for Kids Drive.
 - Through research we found out that 7/10 kids will graduate from High School and only 20% will graduate from college.
3. **Approve Minutes of February 5, 2007 Meeting:**

- Naomi motioned to approve the February 5, 2007 minutes and Dale seconded. The minutes were approved as written.

4. **Monitoring of Board of Supervisors Agendas:**

- February/March report made by the District 5 Commissioners:
 - Issue regarding the Juvenile Hall expansion was approved.
 - The board approved the Children's Coalition Funding Recommendation to award Children's Trust Fund Contracts for the Fiscal Year of 2007-2008.
 - There was a report given by the Annual Child Death Review Team.
- March/April agenda monitoring by District 1 Commissioners.

6. **Project Updates:**

- **Safety Fair:** Harkirat sent Mr. Dietrich e-mail but hasn't received a reply as of yet.
- **Fundraising Run:** Harkirat doesn't have any new information from the Interact Club yet. There are lots of options that we need to look into and get more information about.
- **Boys and Girls Club:** The training program lasts for 90 minutes and we should do it as a group.

7. **Youth Issues Survey Development:**

- Questions discussed were:
 - Homework load and school
 - Opportunities to have fun
 - Aware of risks and consequences of alcohol and drug abuse
 - Influence of the entertainment industry
 - Body image through the media
 - Peer pressure and its effects
 - Voting
 - Volunteering
 - Read newspapers
 - Post-High School life
 - Most important issue affecting youth
 - Main cause of teen suicide
 - What you turn to in times of pressure
 - Safety at school
 - How easy is it to obtain drugs and alcohol
 - Adult you can talk to for advice
 - College financial aid
 - Grade and Sex
 - Family eating dinner together
 - Travel
 - Job and Résumé
 - Culture and Race in school
 - Contact with Administrators

- Obesity
- Stress
- Importance of school
- Stereotypes (what as?)
- Sex-Education
- Birth Control
- Extent to which classes you want are available
- Student/Teacher Respect
- “Every 15 Minutes”
- Violence and Safety at home and in the community
- Extent of homelessness
- Do you support your family?
- Presence of drugs and alcohol at parties
- Anorexia
- We should organize the questions based on category
- Are permission slips necessary?
- Invite Principals and Superintendents to a presentation by us
- Have the questions e-mailed out before Wednesday, March 28

8. **Other Business:**

- Homeless youth tickets on RT
 - Challenges for youth to pay tickets resulting in warrants
 - Invite WIND to make a presentation
- The Commission discussed changing the May meeting as it was the election meeting and conflicted with IB/AP Testing. The meeting will need to be rescheduled.

9. The meeting was adjourned at 7:30.