

Sacramento County Youth Commission

Tomorrow's Leaders Leading Today

Minutes
Monday, October 15, 2007

Chair: Harkirat Hansra
Vice Chair: Rachel Sussman
Secretary: Cynthia Tsay

Attendance:

District 1	Katie Batten	X
	Kristina Wong	Absent
	Stephanie Taylor	X
District 2	Cynthia Tsay	X
	Raylia Washington	X
	<i>Vacant</i>	<i>Vacant</i>
District 3	Rachel Sussman	X
	Megan Alcalay	X
	Elizabeth Eggert	X
District 4	Naomi Endsley	X
	Rachel Anderson	X
	<i>Vacant</i>	<i>Vacant</i>
District 5	Harkirat Hansra	X
	Brianna Moland	X
	<i>Vacant</i>	<i>Vacant</i>

Advisor: Alan Lange

Guests: Sylvia Perscheid, Supervisor Don Nottoli's Office

Agenda:

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:18 p.m.

2. Announcements and Comments:

- Alan Lange is the advisor for today's meeting.
- The Sacramento Youth Commission introduced themselves to the new commissioners:
 - Brianna Moland, senior at Franklin High School, District 5
 - Rachel Anderson, junior at Rio Americano High School, District 4
 - Megan Alcalay, junior at Rio Americano High School, District 3
 - Elizabeth Eggert, freshman at Rio Americano High School, District 3
 - Raylia Washington, senior at Grant Union High School, District 2

- Michele will be sending out an updated roster for the Youth Commission that includes contact info, school, etc.
- Ready by 21 Coalition is looking for applicants. The Ready by 21 Coalition will host a training session on December 2 and 3, where groups of 4 to 5 youths and adults will be educated on youth issues and participate in a competition-like setting. The advisor for the Ready by 21 Coalition will be attending the next commission meeting to provide further information.
- The tentative date for the November meeting is November 19, which falls on Thanksgiving week. Naomi motioned to change the meeting date to November 12, and Rachel seconded.
- There will be an orientation for the new commissioners at 5:15 p.m. on the next meeting date. The stipend forms passed out to the new commissioners are to be returned at the next meeting to Michele
- Discussed the distribution of binders for the new commissioners.
- The presentation to the Board of Supervisors is scheduled for 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 12. The commissioners were assigned to their respective projects and are to work on drafting speeches for the presentation. There was a suggestion to include events attended by former commissioners.
- Rachel suggested using cups that were more environmentally friendly (i.e. paper cups) rather than Styrofoam cups.

3. Approve Minutes of September 17, 2007 Meeting

- A revision was made to the minutes: on pg. 1 under “Announcements and Comments”, *Briana Mueller* should have been spelled *Brianna Moland* and on pg. 3 under “Other Business” the phrase *policy making with the public* should read *public involvement in policy making*
- Megan motioned to approve the revised September 17, 2007 minutes and Rachel seconded. The revised minutes were approved as written.

4. Monitoring of Board of Supervisors Agendas

- No report for August/September by the District 5 Commissioners. District 5 Commissioners will review archived agendas and report back in October
- September/October report by District 1 Commissioners
 - September 24 is designated as Day to Eat Dinner with Children
 - September 21 is the International Day of Peace
 - consultants were hired to review the condition of the juvenile detention facility
 - appointed five new commissioners to the Sacramento County Youth Commission
- October/November agenda monitoring is assigned to District 2 Commissioners

5. Update on Status of Crocker Art Museum Proposal

- Rachel briefed the new commissioners on the background of the project and the basic facts from the proposal. She also brought up problems that need to be addressed in the near future and clarified.
- Discussed the entry fee for the auction night. Would it be fair to charge a \$10 entry fee to those who purchased tickets early and to charge those who purchased tickets on the night of, the Crocker Art Museum's admission fee?
- Additionally, discussed application process. Would the applicant turn in money with the application or when submitting the piece?
- Broached the possibility of making the auction optional because the timing of the auction will conflict with the State Fair's art contest.

6. Coats for Kids Drive

- Harkirat introduced the drive and expressed his desire to start the drive earlier this year.
- Goal is to maximize the number of coats collected through the drive and to put out as many bins as possible
- Discussed placing them at schools, libraries, churches or synagogues, and the county building
- Need to write a proposal to give to the administrators at the schools or other locations where the bins will be put

7. Draft Youth Issues Survey

- Michele did a thorough job in recreating the Youth Issues Survey that the commissioners had previously assembled.
- The commission felt that there were some issues not addressed in the survey such as opportunities to have fun, culture and race in school, and eating disorders.
- Discussed the possibility of distributing the March 19 Minutes and the results of the previous Youth Issues Survey conducted. Michele will send these items out to everyone via e-mail.
- For the next meeting, each commissioner is to write 2-3 questions about an issue that they feel has not been addressed in the draft survey
- Talked about whether or not incentives would be offered, and if so, what incentives would be appropriate.
- Need to contact Plan 4 Future, the company that compiled the data from the old youth issues survey, to help with our new survey.

8. The meeting was adjourned at 7:29 p.m.