

# Sacramento County Youth Commission

Tomorrow's Leaders Leading Today

Minutes  
Monday, April 3, 2006

Chair: Thiersten Rose  
Vice Chair: Beth Griffiths  
Secretary: Amanda Koire

**Attendance:**

District 1	Katie Batten	Absent
	Thiersten Rose	X
	Kristina Wong	X
District 2	Beth Griffiths	X
	Elissa Ouchida	Absent
	Grant Taylor	X
District 3	Amanda Koire	X
	Rachel Sussman	X
	Dale Till	X
District 4	Christine Braziel	X
	Naomi Endsley	X
	<i>Vacant</i>	<i>Vacant</i>
District 5	Harkirat Hansra	X
	Stacey Howell	X
	Tiffany Jones	X

**Advisor:** Joe Barba

**Agenda:**

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:19 p.m.
2. The Commission introduced and welcomed Kristina Wong, a sophomore from McClatchy, who will be representing District 1.
3. On a motion by Grant and seconded by Naomi, the March 14th minutes were approved.
4. Job Information Brochure: The Commission continued editing the brochure. Grant will send the revised prototype to Joe so he can send it to the print shop. The plan is to have the brochures ready for distribution at the next Youth Commission meeting.

5. On March 7, 2006, the Child Abuse Prevention Council presented to the Board of Supervisors the Child Death Review Team's annual report. Rhonda Erwin spoke at that hearing and encouraged the Board to consider establishing a similar team that focuses on reducing violence among young people in Sacramento County. The Board agreed to establish a Youth Death Review Team to keep records and investigate causes of youth violence. The team would conduct research and analyze the circumstances of all youth deaths in the county and suggest solutions to the Board in the form of awareness campaigns and prevention programs. The Countywide Services Agency will be working with the Child Abuse Prevention Council to define the team and present a plan to the Board of Supervisors. Naomi, Amanda, Beth, Thiersten, Christine, Rachel, Stacey, and Harkirat all expressed an interest in participating as youth representatives on the team.
6. None of the Commissioners were able to attend the town hall meeting on underage drinking prevention. Amanda, Naomi, and Stacey will try to attend the town hall meeting on May 1, at La Sierra High School. Amanda will research the results of other alcohol awareness meetings.
7. Naomi reported on the Board of Supervisors Agenda, making note of the Child Death Review Team's annual report. District 5 members will monitor the Board's agenda for April/May.
8. The Commission discussed the possibility of creating backpacks for WIND Youth Services and decided to contact a representative to see how we can help. Christine will talk to a representative of the Police Department, Amanda will try to talk to a representative from WIND, and Stacey will contact companies who might be interested in donating backpacks and/or supplies.
9. Joe reported that the Sacramento-Yolo Mosquito and Vector Control District announced the "Fight the Bite" poster contest in an effort to educate and inform the community about mosquitoes and West Nile virus. Cash prizes will be awarded to first, second and third places. The deadline for the entries is April 19<sup>th</sup>.
10. The commission agreed to move the May meeting to May 15th due to AP testing. Thiersten will bring cake and cupcakes to the May meeting.
11. The meeting was adjourned at 7:27 p.m.