

**Sacramento County Youth Commission**  
Tomorrow's Leaders Leading Today

Minutes  
Monday, September 11, 2006

Acting Chair: Amanda Koire  
Vice Chair: Vacant  
Secretary: Dale Till

**Attendance:**

District 1	Katie Batten	Absent
	Kristina Wong	X
	Vacant	<i>Vacant</i>
District 2	Elissa Ouchida	X
	Clark Taylor	X
	Vacant	<i>Vacant</i>
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	X

**Advisor:** Michele Watts

**Guests:** Sylvia Perscheid, Supervisor Don Nottoli's Office

**Agenda:**

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:20 p.m.
2. Dale agreed to serve as Secretary so that Amanda could focus on leading the meeting.
3. The commissioners introduced themselves to Clark Taylor, our newest member.
4. After amending the August minutes to add Ted Wolters to the list of guests, they were approved by a motion by Harkirat and seconded by Christine.
5. Amanda updated the Commission on the WIND Project's Status: Our initial contact no longer works for the organization, but failed to notify Amanda; the project is now suspended indefinitely, as it will take time to establish new contacts and gain momentum.

6. Coats for Kids has been approved at both Rio Americano and Mira Loma High Schools; St. Francis will probably not participate as a Youth Commission partner because they run a similar drive every year.
7. Michele talked about the Children's Summit, a project designed to analyze indicators to determine how well Sacramento children and families are doing. They want a Youth Reaction Panel (10/20, 8:30am-4:00pm) and any member from SCYC is invited (without cost).
8. The Children's Celebration (10/7, 10am-4pm) needs volunteers. Contact Michele or First Five (916-876-5865).
9. The Commission discussed places to distribute volunteering brochures (counseling offices, AVID classes, rush week on campuses, etc).
10. Michele updated the Commission on the timeline for the next 'annual' report to the Board of Supervisors. The plan is to aim for January or February and report the hopeful successes of our projects and our future plans.
11. The Commission agreed to request updates on the meetings of the Prevention Subcommittee of the Alcohol and Drug Advisory Board because of its focus on youth-oriented action.
12. Amanda discussed the youth issues of the Board of Supervisors' agenda for July/August: Michael Spaulding of Rio Americano HS is now an Eagle Scout and the county plans to expand Juvenile Hall. District 5 members are to monitor the Board of Supervisors' agendas for September/October.
13. Michele discussed the mandatory Ethics Training sessions and passed out a schedule.
14. Michele announced that the elections for Chair, Vice Chair, and Secretary will take place at the October meeting. Commissioners interested in running for office should come to the next meeting prepared to make a short statement about why.
15. Because our WIND project is no longer a viable option until we re-establish contact, the Commission discussed alternative major projects for Spring 2007. Amanda proposed we work on solutions to problems posed in 2001's Youth Survey; Rachel suggested we work within communities, holding potlucks and meeting similar to those of "Stop the Hate" of Mira Loma HS. Harkirat offered we work with the "Safely Out" group, focusing on flood and/or water safety. We discussed holding a fair-style community meeting within the Greater Sacramento Area in neighborhoods by the river or one of the lakes. Other suggestions included adopting a family for the holiday season, working to assist the Sacramento Children's Home and other group homes, and helping in food banks.
16. The meeting was adjourned at 7:14 p.m.