

Sacramento County Youth Commission
Tomorrow's Leaders Leading Today

Minutes
Monday, December 12, 2005

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

Attendance:

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

Advisor: Joe Barba

Guests: Linda Kimura, Supervisor Illa Collin's Office

Agenda:

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:25 p.m.
2. On a motion by Christine and seconded by Grant, the November 14th minutes were approved.
3. The Youth Commission's meeting schedule for calendar year 2006 was distributed. The meetings will be held on the second Monday of each month with the exception of the February and October meetings which were moved to the first Monday of the month due to holidays.

4. Youth Commissioners reported on the success of setting up coat collection sites for the “News10 Coats for Kids” winter coat drive. Collection sites were set up at the County Administration Building, Municipal Services Agency, Department of Water Quality, First Five Commission, Inderkum High School, and Mira Loma High School. Youth Commissioners will drop off the coats together at the News 10 studio on December 23rd.
5. Job Information Brochure – Information has been gathered on job training opportunities and how to prepare for an interview; however, more information is needed on how to obtain a work permit and how to prepare a resume. Additional information on general job ideas is also needed for the brochure. Commissioners are to bring the information to the January 9th meeting so that a prototype of the brochure can be formatted.
6. Volunteering Information Brochure – Christine created one side of a prototype, and Rachel obtained a list of 20 different volunteer opportunities that could be included in the brochure. A complete prototype will be designed before the next meeting and emailed to all the Commissioners so they can provide comments/input.
7. Stacey called Tasha Norris, Director of the WIND Youth Services outreach program, and asked her if she would be willing to attend a Youth Commission meeting to talk about the various WIND Youth Services programs. Ms. Norris agreed to attend the Youth Commission’s January 9th meeting. The presentation will be placed on the Commission’s January 9th agenda at 6:30 p.m.
8. District 1 checked the Board of Supervisor's agenda this month, but no new developments pertaining to youth were noticed. The Board of Supervisors (BOS) will take a three week holiday recess; therefore, monitoring the December-January agenda will not be necessary. District 2 Commissioners will monitor the January-February BOS agenda.
9. The Annual Youth Commission Bonding Party had a very low participation rate. Only Rachel, Grant, and Stacey showed up.
10. Ideas for long term projects were discussed. Linda Kimura advised the Commission to look at the Mission Statement for ideas and suggested that the Commission start a project that has never been done before. She suggested that the Commission consider looking into how Sacramento's population growth has affected transportation, education, and social services. One idea the Commissioners liked was to examine the prevalence of violent death in Sacramento as it affects teenagers. Linda will arrange to have a Parents Against Violence ad-hoc group

come talk at the next meeting so that the Commissioners can decide if they want to get involved. The presentation from this group will be placed on the Commission's January 9th agenda for 7:15 p.m.

11. Supervisor Roger Dickinson and Katie Batten were interviewed by Channel 10 about Sacramento being selected as one of the "100 Best Communities for Young People" in the nation. Katie was asked what it was like to be a youth in Sacramento, and how the Youth Commission makes a difference in the community.
12. The meeting was adjourned at 7:56 p.m.