

Sacramento County Youth Commission

Tomorrow's Leaders Leading Today

Minutes
Monday, July 20, 2015

Chair: Kirsten Stathos
Vice Chair: Kruti Modekurty
Secretary: Beata Aks

Attendance:

District 1	Makiyah Garth	X
	Samantha Switzer	X
	Vacant	-
District 2	Tristan Fong	Absent
	Andrew Ng	X
	Chad Brown	X
District 3	Christine Wiley	X
	Annie Randle	Absent
	Kirsten Stathos	X
District 4	Robert Bender	X
	Kruti Modekurty	X
	Milan Zhou	Absent
District 5	Sahej Claire	Absent
	Beata Aks	X
	Kiana Vicari	X

Advisor: Alyson Murphy

Meeting was called to order at 6:15 p.m.

1. Welcome and Introductions

2. Presentation by Master Gardener William Maynard

- The Master Gardener William Maynard showed us a PowerPoint presentation on how to set up a garden, the places that he helped set up gardens, and he was willing to help us with our garden project
- He described what things we need in order for the garden to be successful-- certain amount of land as well as irrigation systems (silk roses)
- He stated that all of the food that they grow is organic with no pesticides
- He also stated that creating a garden allows people to build relationships with one another

- In order to have a garden at a school they look for a grant and they need to fill out an application form and one of the parents needs to take care of it during the summer time
- He also mentioned the make a Difference Day in October from 8:30-4:00

3. Announcements and Comments

- All the commissioners enjoyed the presentation that the master gardener had given

4. Election of Officers (*Action item*)

- Kirsten was elected to be the chair of the Youth Commission
 - i. Motioned by Robert; Seconded by Beata
 - ii. Unanimous vote of those present to approve
- Kruti was elected to be the Vice Chair of the Youth Commission
 - i. Motioned by Christine; Seconded by Andrew
 - ii. Unanimous vote of those present to approve
- Beata was elected to be the Secretary of the Youth Commission
 - i. Motioned by Kruti; Seconded by Chad
 - ii. Unanimous vote of those present to approve

5. Review of Upcoming Local District Events

District 4— Wacky Dash 5k August 1st in Folsom

District 5— Friday Night Concerts in Villa green park

6. Review of Board of Supervisors Agendas and News Article Discussion led by Sahej

- Sahej was not at the meeting

7. Approve Minutes of June 8, 2015 Meeting (*Action Item*)

- Motion by Beata/ Seconded by Christine, unanimous vote of those present to approve.

8. Report Back on a Garden Project by Subcommittee

(Members: Kirsten *chair*, Andrew, Samantha, Makiyah, and Sahej)

- Kirsten talked to Cal Middle School and they are planning to have a garden there soon and she is planning to find out some more information on that

9. Report back From Volunteer Subcommittee on List of Volunteer Activities for the Commission to Participate in this Fall - (*Action Item*)

(Members: Samantha *chair*, Annie, Beata, Christine, Kiana, Kruti, Robert, Tristan)

- Beata talked to Chicks in Crisis and they are looking for a couple people in the commission to come and volunteer and they are always in need of donations
- The youth commission decided to ask their principles at the beginning of the school year to have drop off/pickup bins and collect items for Chicks in Crisis
- Christine stated that the American River parkway has many activities where the youth commission can volunteer such as Howlin on the Parkway - October
- The SPCA has some possible volunteer opportunities at Lasher Polo Classic on September 12th
- Fall Book sale

**10. Report Back From Youth Civic Development Academy Subcommittee (*Action Item*)
(Members: Makiyah *chair*, Kruti, Robert, Samantha, and Sahej)**

- June 24, 2015
 - i. Some of the commissioners toured the Youth Commission building and stated that the tour was very informative and that they enjoyed seeing the buildings
- July 7, 2015
 - i. Beata and Christine went to the Animal Shelter and were taken on a tour. They reported back that the animals were really cute and that the people at the Animal Shelter were willing to have volunteers come in and work if some of the commissioners would want to do that.

**11. Report Back From Job Fair Subcommittee
(Members: Milan *chair*, Beata, Makiyah, Sahej, Samantha)**

- There were no updates from the Job Fair Subcommittee

12. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items

- Andrew stated that the July meeting is his last meeting

Meeting Adjourned at 7:42 p.m.