

AGENDA

***Special Meeting Location**

1. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance
2. Agenda Review
This is the time to reorder and/or remove items from the agenda by consensus of the Youth Council. Any individual member who will be abstaining from a discussion item should announce his/her intentions at this time.
3. Approval of Minutes
4. Correspondence
5. Public Statements/Comments
This is the time allotted for statements or comments on matters within the subject matter and jurisdiction of the Youth Council. Statements and comments are limited to no more than five (5) minutes per speaker.
6. Continued Business
Discussion and Review of Youth Council By-Laws
7. New Business
 - a. Discussion and Vote on Youth Council's Participation at the YES Job and Career Expo on Saturday, March 24, 2018
 - b. Discussion of Youth Council Recruitment and New Youth Council Member Interviews
 - c. Discussion Regarding Cancellation of the May 1, 2018, Youth Council Meeting
 - d. 2018 Simi Valley Youth Summit Debrief
 - e. Discussion of the Simi Valley Community Garden's @SocialFeed; a Citywide Hunger Project
8. Representative Reports
Youth Council Reports and Comments
This is the time for Youth Council members' statements or comments on matters within the subject matter and jurisdiction of the Youth Council or to request a future agenda item. This is also the time to make any announcements related to community events and other items of interest.
9. Coordinator's Report

10. Adjournment: Tuesday, April 17, 2018, 5:00 p.m., Simi Valley Senior Center, Room 106. Please note the special meeting location.

/s/

Anna M. Medina
Deputy Community Services Director

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DRAFT MINUTES

1. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance

Youth Council Chair Leah Nohrenberg called the meeting to order at 5:06 p.m., and Secretary Denise Gonzales took attendance verifying that a quorum was present.

2017-18 Youth Council Members					
Selection Districts		Members-At-Large			
A	Juan Maldonado-AHS	P	Humna Ahmad	P	Aaron Williams
P	Leah Nohrenberg -RHS	P	James Chu		
P	Emily Ramirez -RHS	P	Shane Desilets	Alternates	
P	Zalma Quezada -SSHS	P	Denise Gonzales	P	Chandler Nelson
P*	Anushka Vakil -SSHS	P	Timothy Ho	P	Connor Hilbert
P	Nick Judge-SVHS	P	Pranav Krishnamoorthi	V	Alternate
P	Shray Grover -SVHS	P	Annie Kroll	P = Present E = Excused A = Absent V = Vacant	
P	Ethan Strubbe-HMS	P	Jasanpreet Pandher		
P	Kshitij Patibandla - SMS	P	Om Patel		
P	Michelle Boland-VVMS	P	Sneha Sundaram		
*Arrived after approval of the minutes					

Staff: Kristin Tignac, Youth Council Coordinator.

Guests: Michael Whitehead, Simi Valley Public Library Teen Librarian; Robbie Hidalgo, Simi Valley Community Garden Vice President; and Royal High School Students Ben Lee and Nathan Detwiler.

2. Agenda Review

There being no objections, Chair Leah Nohrenberg moved agenda item 6 to follow agenda item 7d.

3. Approval of Minutes

ACTION: A motion to approve the February 20, 2018, minutes as written was made by Om Patel and seconded by Timothy Ho.

Youth Council vote: 21 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Abstentions

The motion passed.

4. Correspondence

Ms. Tignac reported that correspondence was received from Soroptimist International of Simi Valley club member Amy Corneau. Mrs. Corneau invited past Dream It Be It Girls Conference participants to present on a discussion panel during the Soroptimist International Spring Conference on Saturday, April 21, 2018.

5. Public Statements/Comments

Jennifer Santos, Management Analyst with the City of Simi Valley announced that the City was recruiting for a community-at-large and alternate position on the Community Projects Grant Committee. The application deadline was Thursday, March 8, 2018.

Robbie Hidalgo announced that the Moorpark Teen Council was inspired by the Simi Valley Youth Council's work on the @SocialFeed project and requested to partner with the Simi Valley Youth Council for the second @SocialFeed collection. Mr. Hidalgo also asked members in helping again with the project by distributing sweet potato starters at the Simi Valley Street Fair on May 12th. Mr. Hidalgo also reminded members that the Free Farmers Market, stemming from the @SocialFeed project, was still going on strong, taking place the fourth Tuesday of each month from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

7. New Business

a. Discussion of Teen Programming at the Simi Valley Public Library

Michael Whitehead, Teen Librarian, announced that the Library would co-host a "Financial Literacy" workshop for saving money with National College Planning Solutions from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., on April 5th, 2018, at the Simi Valley Public Library., as well as a "Get Ready for Summer" workshop for college preparation in May. He asked members for suggestions as to what teens would want to see at the library and told them to expect more programs to be offered this summer.

ACTION: A motion to approve promotion of the "Financial Literacy" workshops being offered in April at the Simi Valley Public Library as a way to address 2017-18 Work Plan financial literacy recommendation was made by Ethan Strubbe and seconded by Kshitij Patibandla.

Youth Council vote: 21 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Abstentions

The motion passed.

b. Selection of Youth Council Representative and Alternate to Serve on the Community Projects Grant Review Committee, with a Mandatory Orientation at 6:30 p.m., on Thursday, April 19, 2018 and Review Meeting at 6:30 p.m., on Thursday, May 3, 2018.

The following Youth Council members volunteered to serve on the Community Projects Grant Review Committee as the Youth Council representative: Humna Ahmad, Annie Kroll, Chandler Nelson and Sneha Sundaram. A hand vote was taken to select the representative and alternate.

ACTION: A motion to approve Humna Ahmad as a representative for Youth Council on the Community Projects Grant Review Committee and Sneha Sundaram as the alternate was made by Pranav Krishnamoorthi and seconded by Shane Desilets.

Youth Council vote: 21 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Abstentions

The motion passed.

- c. Discussion of Topic Specialists to Finalize Youth Summit Breakout Session Presentations

Youth Council members split up into their Youth Summit groups along with their topic specialists and discussed the Youth Summit breakout topic presentations. The following individuals had volunteered as topic specialists:

Teen Health & Wellness and Teen Activities – Scott Keller, Training Day Fitness Owner; and Mailani McNabb-Robinson and Delanie McIntyre with the Boys & Girls Club of Simi Valley.

Homelessness and Environmental Concerns: Jennifer Santos, City of Simi Valley Management Analyst and Angie Allmendinger, School on Wheels Regional Coordinator.

Bullying and Social Injustice – Shannon McCabe, Simi Valley Unified School District and tentatively Dr. Loren Dittmar, Santa Susana High School Counselor.

Concerns Related to Schools and Higher Education – Robert Rosenberg, recent college graduate.

Underage Drinking/Drug Use and Crime – Registered Nurse Julia Feig, Director of Emergency Services at Simi Valley Hospital and Simi Valley Police Department Sergeant Steve Shorts and Police Officer Ana Lares.

- d. Review and Discussion of 2018 Youth Summit Schedule

Youth Summit Chair Humna Ahmad handed out the breakout schedules and “Cross the Line” scripts. Ms. Ahmad also collected donation prizes for opportunity drawing for Youth Summit participants that donate items for the School on Wheels program.

Mrs. Tignac reminded members to share their Google slides with their topic specialists to review and that the dress code for Youth Council members at the Youth Summit is professional business attire.

6. Continued Business

Discussion of Youth Summit Facilitator Training and Debrief Practice

Youth Summit Chair Humna Ahmad reported that all spots had been filled for the Youth Summit and a wait list had been started with students interested in attending.

As part of small group practice training, the following ice breaker activity was led and debriefed by Youth Summit committee member Annie Kroll: “Time Bomb”.

8. Representative Reports

Youth Council Reports and Comments

Chandler Nelson thanked members for voting for him and his robotics team, as they were selected to compete in the Worlds Competition for Online Challenges.

Ethan Strubbe announced that he was selling solid chocolate bunnies for a school club fundraiser.

9. Coordinator's Report

Mrs. Tignac reminded Youth Council members that if they were interested in applying for the Community Projects Grant Committee community-at-large or alternate position, applications were due on March 8, 2018.

Mrs. Tignac reminded members that Youth Summit folder assembly and breakout group sign making would be held on March 7, 2018, beginning at 4:30 p.m.

Mrs. Tignac reminded members that Youth Summit walk through and event set up would be held on Thursday, March 15, 2018, at 4:30 p.m., at the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library and Museum.

Mrs. Tignac informed members that the arrival time at Youth Summit is 7:00 a.m. and that all students were required to park on the hill. Shuttle vans would be running at that time.

10. Adjournment: *Youth Summit on Friday, March 16 at 7:00 a.m., Ronald Reagan Presidential Library and Museum.

Youth Council Chair Leah Nohrenberg adjourned the meeting at 6:40 p.m.