

#### SIMI VALLEY YOUTH COUNCIL

Tuesday, November 6, 2018, **5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.**City Hall Community Room
2929 Tapo Canyon Road

# AGENDA \*Special Meeting Time

- Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance/Welcome
- 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.

- Continued Business
  - a. Discussion of the 2019 Youth Town Hall
  - b. Discussion of the Youth Council Holiday Party
- 7. New Business
  - Discussion and Selection of the 2019 Youth Summit Community Service Project
  - Discussion and Selection of Committees to Address the 2018-19 Youth Council Work Plan
  - c. Discussion of the Volunteer Fair on November 29, 2018
- 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: Community Ro	-	December	4, 20	18, 5:00	p.m	- 6:00	p.m.,	City	Hall
			/s/							
			Anna M. Medina Deputy Community Services Director							

If any interested individual has a disability that may require accommodation to participate in this meeting, please contact the Youth Council Coordinator at (805) 583-6766. Upon advance notification, reasonable arrangements will be made to provide accessibility to the meeting.

### DRAFT MINUTES

1. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance/Welcome

Youth Council Chair Humna Ahmad called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m., and Secretary Om Patel took attendance verifying that a quorum was present.

Selection Districts		Members-At-Large					
Α	Charo Matos-AHS		Michelle Boland		Alexandra Thompson		
Р	P Humna Ahmad -RHS		Shane Desilets				
Р	Joshua Jiwanmall -RHS		Aditya Gaiki	Alternates			
Р	Pranav Krishnamoorthi -SSHS	Р	Parsa Karamat	Р	Paige Barrella		
Р	Om Patel -SSHS	Р	Annie Kroll	Е	Grace Fausett		
Р	Nick Judge-SVHS	Е	Riya Manimaran	Р	Yicheng "Tobby" Zheng		
Е	E Sneha Sundaram -SVHS		Chandler Nelson	Р	= Present		
Р	P Gaurav "Gary" Pandher-HMS		France Salvanera	E = Excused			
Е	Delany James - SMS		Anna Sorensen		A = Absent		
Р	P Ashlyn Ro-VVMS		Nikhita		V = Vacant		
			Sundarapandian				
*Arrived after approval of the minutes							

Staff: Kristin Tignac, Youth Council Coordinator.

Guests: Carli Olson, Field Representative for Assemblymember Dante Acosta's Office; Robbie Hidalgo, Vice President of Simi at the Garden; Boy Scout Troop Leader Dana Hammon and Scout Members Connor Peck, Benson Plaster and Zane Williams.

2. Agenda Review

There being no objections, the agenda was approved as presented.

3. Approval of Minutes

**ACTION**: A motion to approve the October 2, 2018 minutes as written made by Shane Desilets and seconded by Aditya Gaiki.

Youth Council vote: 18 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Abstentions

The motion passed.

4. Correspondence

No correspondence had been received.

5. Public Statements/Comments

Carli Olson, Field Representative with Assemblymember Dante Acosta's Office stated that the Assemblyman was interested in hearing from students regarding ideas for new legislative bills for 2019.

Boy Scout Leader Dana Hammond stated that members of his troop attended the meeting to observe how differences of opinion are handled by Youth Council members.

#### 6. Continued Business

Discussion of the 2018-19 Youth Council Work Plan

Youth Council members completed a second brainstorming activity to further address issues of concern to youth raised during the October 2, 2018 Youth Council meeting.

**ACTION**: A motion to approve the 2018-19 Youth Council Work Plan presented below was made by Parsa Karamat and seconded by Nick Judge.

Youth Council vote: 18 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Abstentions

The motion passed.

The 2018-19 Youth Council Work Plan will be as follows:

- Increase awareness and knowledge of mental and health issues faced by teens;
- 2. Research use of Drug Detectors (i.e. in bathrooms) to deter drug use on school campuses;
- Reduce bullying and cyber bullying by promoting anti-bullying awareness
  activities at schools that inform students about the negative impacts of
  bullying and how to prevent it;
- 4. Increase community involvement by promoting volunteerism and civic responsibility;
- 5. Increase awareness interviewing skills and life skills to succeed in the workforce after school; and
- 6. Increase career-based classes offered on local high school campuses.

#### 7. New Business

a. Selection of the 2019 Youth Summit Theme

Youth Summit Vice Chair Om Patel provided an overview of the top three themes selected by the Youth Summit Committee.

<u>ACTION</u>: A motion to approve "There is a Hero in All of Us" as the 2019 Youth Summit theme and slogan was made by Gary Pandher and seconded by Tobby Zheng.

Youth Council vote: 18 Aves: 0 Noes: 0 Abstentions

The motion passed.

#### b. Discussion of the 2019 Youth Town Hall

Ms. Tignac gave a brief overview of the Youth Town Hall. She stated that the Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation and Institute's Education Team recommended looking at a leadership-focused panel.

The following nine Youth Council members volunteered and were selected as the 2019 Youth Town Hall Committee: Paige Barrella, Joshua Jiwanmall, Nick Judge, Chandler Nelson, Gary Pandher, Om Patel, Ashlyn Ro, Nikhita Sundarapandian and Tobby Zheng.

**<u>ACTION</u>**: A motion to approve the 2019 Youth Town Hall Committee as presented was made by Joshua Jiwanmall and seconded by Alexandra Thompson.

Youth Council vote: 18 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Abstentions

The motion passed unanimously.

**Action Item**: Ms. Tignac would contact the Youth Town Hall committee members to schedule a meeting prior to the November 6, 2018 Youth Council meeting to further discuss panelist recommendations.

c. Discussion of the Youth Council Holiday Party

Nick Judge gave an overview of the opportunity to hold an afterhours dance party at the Library. Mr. Judge stated that the event could be the Youth Council holiday party with white elephant gift exchange or Secret Santa.

**ACTION:** A motion to approve the Youth Council Holiday Party at the Simi Valley Public Library from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., on Friday, December 7, 2018 was made by Parsa Karamat and seconded by Annie Kroll.

Youth Council vote: 18 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Abstentions The motion passed.

#### 8. Representative Reports

Youth Council Reports and Comments

Chandler Nelson reported that the Reagan Summit; Uniting the Divide was an awesome event.

Nick Judge stated that Sneha Sundaram had asked him to remind all Youth Council to sign up for Remind App for Youth Council meeting reminders. He stated that she had emailed all members a link.

## 9. Coordinator's Report

Ms. Tignac presented Annie Kroll with a framed photo sheet to commemorate her time on the City Council dais on August 27, 2018.

Ms. Tignac thanked everyone for their help with the many Youth Council events that took place in September and October, including the Suicide Prevention Rock Painting Night, the Stop Bullying Pledges on school campuses and the Stop Bullying Event.

Ms. Tignac reminded the following Youth Council members that had volunteered to attend and hand out candies to young trick-or-treaters at the Rancho Simi Recreation and Park District's Heritage Halloween event on Saturday, October 20, 2018: Michelle Boland, Shane Desilets, Aditya Gaiki, Delany James, Joshua Jiwanmall, Nick Judge, Riya Manimaran, Chandler Nelson, Frances Salvanera, Anna Sorensen, Sneha Sundaram, Nikhita Sundarapandian, and Yicheng "Tobby" Zheng. Frances Salvanera and Joshua Jiwanmall stated they may have a conflict with the date and time of the event.

10. Adjournment: Tuesday, November 6, 2018, \*5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., City Hall Community Room. \*Please note the special meeting time.

Youth Council Chair Humna Ahmad adjourned the meeting at 6:11 p.m.