SIMI VALLEY YOUTH COUNCIL



Tuesday, December 18, 2018, *5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. *The Ronald Reagan Presidential Library and Museum

40 Presidential Drive

AGENDA *Special Meeting Location and Time

- 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. New Business

2019 Youth Town Hall Auditions and Assignment to Roles

- 7. Continued Business
 - a. Discussion of Research Reports on Assigned Group Topics by Small Group Leader Teams
 - b. Discussion of Youth Summit Facilitator Training and Debrief Practice
- 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, January 15, 2019, 5:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m., City Hall Community Room.

/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

Youth Council Chair Humna Ahmad called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m., and Secretary Om Patel took attendance verifying that a quorum was present.

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

Staff: Kristin Tignac, Youth Council Coordinator.

2. Agenda Review

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

3. Approval of Minutes

ACTION: A motion to approve the November 6, 2018, minutes as written made by Gary Pandher and seconded by Joshua Jiwanmall.

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

The motion passed.

4. Correspondence

Ms. Tignac stated that correspondence had been received from the Free Clinic of Simi Valley's Board President Maggie Kestly thanking the Youth Council for participating as a vendor in their 8th Annual 2018 Fredrick Michael Gibson 5/10K Run for Depression Awareness, Tooth Fairy Kids Run and Community Health Expo. She stated that the event raised \$30,000 for the Clinic.

Ms. Tignac reported that she had received correspondence from the Soroptimist International of Simi Valley Club requesting volunteers to assist with promoting the second annual STOP Human Trafficking event to be held on Thursday, January 10, 2019, at Santa Susana High School. Students interested in volunteering are encouraged to contact Sandy Schmid by email at simisassyan@gmail.com for details.

5. Public Statements/Comments

No public statements or comments were made.

6. Continued Business

Discussion of the 2019 Youth Town Hall

Ms. Tignac presented a handout on public speaking tips and helpful information for event moderators and emcees.

Members stated that they would be interested in receiving additional public speaking training prior to the auditions.

Action: Ms. Tignac to poll members to gather information on availability and then would notify members of best date and time per member responses.

7. New Business

a. Selection of the 2019 Youth Council Comments Presenters to City Council on January 14, February 11, April 22, and May 13

Ms. Tignac explained that the Youth Summit Committee Chair and the Youth Council Chair traditionally present the Youth Council Comments following the Youth Summit and the last presentation of the term, respectively.

The following Youth Council members volunteered to be Youth Council Comments presenters for the indicated City Council Meetings: Chandler Nelson for January 14, 2019 and Joshua Jiwanmall for February 11, 2019. Both volunteered unopposed.

ACTION: A motion to approve the following Youth Council Comments presenters to City Council; Chandler Nelson on January 14, Joshua Jiwanmall on February 11, Nick Judge on April 22, and Humna Ahmad on May 13 was made by Riya Manimaran and seconded by Aditya Gaiki.

Youth Council vote: 21 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Abstentions The motion passed.

b. Discussion of Youth Summit Group Leader Designation

Youth Summit Chair Nick Judge explained the responsibilities of group leaders and stated that the committee was tasked with assigning group leaders for each topic group. Mr. Judge compiled a list of members' top three choices. The following group leader teams were formed:

- Bullying Paige Barrella and Annie Kroll.
- Crime & Public Safety Aditya Gaiki and Frances Salvanera
- Substance Abuse Parsa Karamat, Pranav Krishnamoorthi and Gary Pandher.
- Education Humna Ahmad, Delany James and Chandler Nelson.

- Homelessness Grace Fausett, Alexandra Thompson and Tobby Zheng.
- Social Injustice Riya Manimaran, Anna Sorensen and Nikhita Sundarapandian.
- Teen Activities Shane Desilets and Joshua Jiwanmall.
- Teen Health Michelle Boland and Sneha Sundaram.
- Pending Ashlyn Ro.
- c. Discussion of Fundraising for the Youth Council Program

The Fundraising Committee Chair Chandler Nelson stated that the committee had met and selected himself as Chair and Om Patel as Committee Vice Chair. He stated they discussed ideas for fundraising, such as fundraising events like a talent show, restaurant fundraiser nights, and letter writing campaign for sponsors.

Youth Council members focused on a communitywide Talent Show as the main fundraiser, supplemented with four or five restaurant fundraisers beginning in January 2019.

The following Youth Council members volunteers to serve on the Talent Show Committee: Paige Barrella, Grace Fausett, Delany James, Pranav Krishnamoorthi, Riya Manimaran, Chandler Nelson, Anna Sorensen, and Nikhita Sundarapandian.

ACTION: A motion to approve the Talent Show Committee with members indicated above was made by Nikhita Sundarapandian and seconded by Pranav Krishnamoorthi.

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

The motion passed.

<u>Action Items</u>: Youth Council Treasurer Nick Judge to survey Youth Council members regarding their top restaurant choices for upcoming restaurant fundraisers beginning in January 2019.

Ms. Tignac to schedule a Talent Show Committee meeting during winter break after determining beast dates for committee members.

d. Discussion of Outreach for the 2019 Youth Summit

Youth Summit Chair Nick Judge explained the importance that all Youth Council members promote the Youth Summit at their schools and on social media. He announced that the online application was live and accessible via friendly URL www.simivalley.org/youthsummit. He stated that members should coordinate brief presentations to announce that Youth Summit registration is open by speaking during their regular classes, as well as at club meetings and to leadership. He reminded members to promote registering early due to the limited number of participant spaces available.

<u>Action Item</u>: All Youth Council members to promote the 2019 Youth Summit to friends and peers on school campuses and social media.

e. Discussion of Youth Summit Facilitator Training and Debrief Practice

Youth Summit Chair Nick Judge explained debrief practices and purpose, as well as expectations and responsibilities of Youth Summit small group facilitators. Mr. Judge stated that members would receive training during the upcoming Youth Council meetings through small group practice exercises that had been selected for group leaders' use to help with group bonding and team building.

As part of small group practice training, the following ice breaker activities were led and debriefed by the following Youth Summit committee members:

- Sneha Sundaram "Empty Chair"
- Michelle Boland "One Word"
- 8. Representative Reports

Youth Council Reports and Comments

Paige Barrella announced that Rush Tickets for Santa Susana High School's Dance Show would go on sale on Friday, December 7, 2018.

Om Patel announced that the Santa Susana High School's Robotics team would be competing in a free robotics competition on Saturday, December 15, 2018, in Chino Hills. California.

9. Coordinator's Report

Ms. Tignac reminded Youth Council members to view the YouTube video of 2018 Simi Youth Town Hall (2018SYTH) prior to the Youth Town Hall auditions.

10. Adjournment: Tuesday, December 18, 2018, *5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., the Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation and Institute.

Youth Council Chair Humna Ahmad adjourned the meeting at 6:16 p.m.