



AGENDA

1. 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 from October 18, 2022

4. Correspondence

5. Public Statements/Comments

Time allotted for public statements on all items on the agenda, as well as matters not on the agenda but within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Youth Council. Statements and comments are limited to no more than five (5) minutes per speaker.

6. Continued Business

a. Discussion of the Youth Town Hall on Friday, January 20, 2023

7. New Business

a. Discussion of the Youth Council's Participation at the Volunteer Fair on Wednesday, November 16, 2022

b. Discussion and Selection of Committees to Address the 2022-23 Youth Council Work Plan

c. Discussion and Selection of the 2023 Youth Summit Committee

d. Discussion of the Youth Council's Wreath Theme for the Simi Valley Festival of Trees Fundraiser

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, November 15, 2022, **4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library and Museum.**



Anna M. Medina
Deputy Community Services Director

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DRAFT MINUTES

1. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance/Welcome

Youth Council Chair Ashlyn Ro called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. and Youth Council Secretary Ella McCrossan took attendance, verifying that a quorum was present.

Selection Districts		Members-At-Large			
E	Victoria Schumacher-AHS	P	Serena Jetely	P	Rikka Tignac
P	Ella McCrossan-RHS	P	Jasleen Khangura		
P	Yihan Wang-RHS	P*	Amanda Kilmnick	Alternates	
P	Abhishek Jagannathan-SSHS	P	Krish Kothiya	P*	Chloe Drury
E	Isaac Tieu-SSHS	P	Nandhiha Krishnamoorthi	P	Maya Maizland
P*	Rashi Khandare-SVHS	P	Advaith Nair	P	Rylan Downey
P	Ashlyn Ro-SVHS	P	Anika Nedunuri	P = Present E = Excused A = Absent V = Vacant	
P	Christopher Kricorian-HMS	P	Ian Nelson		
P	Jetta Rose-SMS	P	Jacob Salvanera		
P	Abigale Potter-VVMS	P	Zehong Situ		
*Arrived after approval of the minutes					

Staff: Anna Medina, Deputy Community Services Director; and Kristin Tignac, Community Services Coordinator.

Guest: Priyaank Srinivasan.

2. Agenda Review

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

3. Approval of Minutes from October 4, 2022

ACTION: A motion to approve the October 4, 2022 minutes as written was made by Krish Kothiya and seconded by Anika Nedunuri.

Youth Council Vote: 19 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Abstentions

The motion passed.

4. Correspondence

Ms. Tignac reported that correspondence had been received from Carleen Canniff, member of the Ventura County Leadership Academy, regarding an opportunity to provide the Youth Council fundraising support.

5. Public Statements/Comments

Simi Valley High School student, Priyaank Srinivasan, stated that he was in attendance to observe the meeting.

6. Continued Business

a. Discussion of the 2022-23 Youth Council Work Plan

Members discussed annual and upcoming events available for Youth Council participation, including hiding painted rocks at Rancho Tapo Community Park (aka Lemon Park) and Rancho Simi Community Park (aka the Duck Park) at a date to be determined by Google form availability responses.

ACTION: A motion to approve the Youth Council's participation in the annual Volunteer Fair on Wednesday, November 16, 2022 was made by Ian Nelson and seconded by Abhishek Jagannathan.

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

The motion passed.

ACTION: A motion to approve the Youth Council's participation by donating a wreath to the annual Simi Valley Festival of Trees fundraiser was made by Jasleen Khangura and seconded by Rikka Tignac.

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

The motion passed

Ms. Tignac reviewed previous Youth Council Work Plans for the Youth Council to use as an example. Members separated into smaller work groups to discuss and develop potential solutions for the main issues that resulted from the Google survey and issues gathered during peer discussions at each school.

Each Work Plan Topic team selected a representative to present their brainstormed issues and solutions. Youth Council members then completed a dot vote to rank the issues and corresponding solutions.

ACTION: A motion to approve the 2022-23 Youth Council Work Plan presented below was made by Ella McCrossan and seconded by Rashi Khandare.

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

The motion passed.

The 2022-23 Youth Council Work Plan is as follows to address the top prioritized issues of Mental Health and Social Media, Discrimination and Bullying, and Substance Use:

1. Research and advocate for mental health days to be included as school excused absences;
2. To reduce the impacts of social media use on teen mental health, coordinate a campaign for unplugged days;
3. To raise awareness and reduce discrimination, develop and promote awareness or spirit-type days on campuses for anti-discrimination;

4. To reduce discrimination and help students that feel uncomfortable by perceived mistreatment, research uses for the School District's anonymous tip system to see if students can report instances of discrimination; and
5. To decrease substance use among teens, co-host a Wellness Expo with the Simi Valley Unified School District before June 2023.

b. Discussion of the Youth Town Hall on Friday, January 20, 2023

After reviewing the top results from the Google survey and Youth Council member discussions with peers, the following motion was made.

ACTION: A motion to approve Social Media with a focus on mental health and discrimination for the Discussion Topic for the 2023 Youth Town Hall was made by Christopher Kricorian and seconded by Advaith Nair.

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

The motion passed

7. New Business

None.

8. Representative Reports

Youth Council Reports and Comments

Social Media Chair, Ella McCrossan, reminded members to wear orange on Unity Day on October 19, 2022. She also reminded everyone to follow the Youth Council @simivalleyyouthcouncil on Instagram, Facebook, and YouTube.

Ian Nelson encouraged those that wear orange on Unity Day to tag @simivalleyyouthcouncil on Instagram.

9. Coordinator's Report

Ms. Tignac thanked Nandhiha Krishnamoorthi, Maya Maizland, and Advaith Nair for accepting the Stop Bullying Month Proclamation at the City Council Meeting on Monday, October 10, 2022.

Ms. Tignac reminded Rylan Downey, Abhishek Jagannathan, Serena Jetely, Jasleen Khangura, Krish Kothiya, Christopher Kricorian, Nandhiha Krishnamoorthi, Maya Maizland, Advaith Nair, Anika Nedunuri, Ian Nelson, Jacob Salvanera, Daniel Situ, and Hannah Wang to arrive by 5:00 p.m. for the Heritage Halloween and Movie in the Park on Saturday, October 22, 2022, at Strathearn Historical Park.

Ms. Tignac also reminded the following Youth Council volunteers of their shifts for the City Expo portion of the Simi Valley Street Fair on Saturday, October 29, 2022 at the Simi Valley Town Center as follows:

8:45 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Youth Council booth – Rylan Downey, Serena Jetely, Jasleen Khangura, Advaith Nair, and Daniel Situ.

Environmental Compliance/Water Conservation booth - Maya Maizland and Yihan Wang.

11:25 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Youth Council booth - Rashi Khandare, Amanda Kilmnick, Nandhiha Krishnamoorthi, and Maya Maizland.

Environmental Compliance/Water Conservation booth - Jasleen, Khangura.

1:25 p.m. to 4:15 p.m.

Youth Council booth – Christopher Kricorian, Abhishek Jagannathan, Anika Nedunuri, Abigale Potter, and Jacob Salvanera.

Environmental Compliance/Water Conservation booth - Ella McCrossan (tentative)

Ms. Tignac reminded Anika Nedunuri that she would be presenting the next Youth Council Informational Report to the City Council on Monday, October 24, 2022.

10. Adjournment: Tuesday, November 1, 2022, 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., City Hall Community Room.

Youth Council Chair Ashlyn Ro adjourned the meeting at 5:58 p.m.