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**SIMI VALLEY YOUTH COUNCIL**  
Tuesday, April 4, 2023, 5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.  
City Hall Community Room  
2929 Tapo Canyon Road

## AGENDA

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 from March 21, 2023

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 Annual Talent Show on Thursday, April 6, 2023

b. Discussion of the Teen Wellness Night on Friday, May 19, 2023

7. New Business

a. Youth Council Recruitment

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 18, 2023, 5:00 p.m., Simi Valley Senior Center, Room 106/107

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Anna M. Medina".

Anna M. Medina  
Deputy Community Services Director

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DRAFT MINUTES

1. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance

Youth Council Chair Ashlyn Ro called the meeting to order at 5:02 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	E	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: Kristin Tignac, Community Services Coordinator.

Guests: City Council Member Elaine Litster; Susan Blumert, Soroptimist International Simi Valley, Director of Membership; and students Saanvi Daga, Kirtan Ijju, Tanvi Ijju, Ranbir Jain, Lalit Kondra, Rithmika Naveen, Kalyssa Ro, Saydee Ro, Chloe Sigler, and Sunchana Sridharan.

2. Agenda Review

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

3. Approval of Minutes from March 7, 2023

**ACTION:** A motion to approve the March 7, 2023 minutes as written was made by Jacob Salvanera and seconded by Christopher Kricorian.

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

**The motion passed.**

4. Correspondence

No correspondence had been received.

5. Public Statements/Comments

Susan Blumert, Director of Membership for the Soroptimist International Simi Valley, gave a brief history of the Soroptimist club and stated that the local chapter provides grants and scholarships, as well as resources for girls and women in need. Anika Nedunuri stated that she had invited Ms. Blumert to attend the

meeting to receive the generous amount of school supplies donated by Youth Council members and meeting guests. The school supplies will be presented to the Soroptimist's 2023 Live a Dream Scholarship recipients. Ms. Blumert thanked the Youth Council for their support.

Council Member Litster thanked Ms. Blumert for attending the meeting and provided an update of action taken by the City Council during their March 20 Meeting.

Students in attendance introduced themselves.

6. Continued Business

a. Discussion of the Annual Talent Show on Thursday, April 6, 2023

Talent Show Chair Rikka Tignac reported that 30 acts were set to perform at this year's Talent Show, with six acts on a waitlist in the event that any acts cancel. She also announced that Talent Show tickets were now on sale at <https://bit.ly/tstix23>. Early bird prices were \$5.00 for students with identification cards and \$10.00 for adults if purchased by April 1, 2023. After April 2, 2023 tickets would be \$10.00 for students and \$15.00 for adults.

All Youth Council members were assigned roles for the event and reminded that the Talent Show run-through and sound check would be held on Wednesday, April 5, 2023 from 3:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. All members and event volunteers were required to attend that night. Ms. Tignac stated that dinner would be provided.

Fundraising Chair Jacob Salvanera reported that \$880 had been received as donations towards the \$2,000 goal for Talent Show category winner's cash prizes.

Updates were given by members that had received silent auction and raffle items. All items should be brought to the next Youth Council meeting on April 4, 2023.

b. Discussion of the Teen Wellness Night on Friday, May 19, 2023

Substance Use Prevention and Teen Wellness Night Committee Chair Anika Nedunuri reported that three vendors had registered to participate in the Teen Wellness Night event; Baha'i Faith of Simi Valley, Rancho Simi Recreation and Park District, and Simi Valley Unified School District. Anika encouraged members to continue promoting the opportunity to host a booth at the Teen Wellness Night with school clubs, businesses, and other organizations. Interested groups were encouraged to reserve their free booth space at <https://tinyurl.com/teenwellnessreg>.

Chair Ashlyn Ro stated that she would ask her contacts at the Simi Valley Free Clinic and Simi Valley High School's Wellness Club and HOSA program.

Action Item: Members to continue to encourage school clubs to host booths at the Teen Wellness Night.

7. New Business

- a. Discussion of the Youth Council's Participation at the YES Job and Career Fair on Saturday, April 22, 2023

Chair Ashlyn Ro led a discussion regarding members' interest in participating in the YES Job and Career Fair on Saturday, April 22, 2023.

**ACTION:** A motion to approve the Youth Council's participation in the YES Job and Career Fair on Saturday, April 22, 2023 was made by Abhishek Jagannathan and seconded by Yihan Wang.

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

**The motion passed.**

The following Youth Council members volunteered to help at the event: Abhishek Jagannathan, Serena Jetely, Nandhiha Krishnamoorthi, Maya Maizland, Advait Nair, Anika Nedunuri, Ashlyn Ro, Jetta Rose, Jacob Salvanera, and Rikka Tignac.

The following students in attendance also volunteered to help at the event: Sanvi Daga, Lalit Kondra, Rithmika Naveen, and Srivishnu Rayasam.

8. Representative Reports

Youth Council Reports and Comments

Ella McCrossan congratulated both Christopher Kricorian and Abigale Potter for both having made it to the Simi Valley middle school mock trial competition finals.

Social Media Chair Ella McCrossan reminded members and guests to follow the Youth Council @simivalleyyouthcouncil on Instagram, Facebook, and YouTube.

Rikka Tignac reminded members to encourage friends and family members to purchase tickets to attend the Talent Show.

Mental Health Committee members selected to meet on Zoom at 11:00 a.m., on Saturday, March 25, 2023.

9. Coordinator's Report

Ms. Tignac reminded committees of their upcoming meeting dates.

Ms. Tignac reminded Krish Kothiya that his draft script for his Youth Council Informational Report to the City Council on April 10, 2023, would be due on April 3, 2023.

10. Adjournment: Tuesday, April 4, 2023, 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., City Hall Community Room.

Youth Council Chair Ashlyn Ro adjourned the meeting at 6:05 p.m.