



AGENDA
Special Meeting Time and 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 from November 14, 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

7. New Business

a. 2024 Youth Town Hall Auditions and Assignment of Roles

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, December 19, 2023, 5:00 p.m. to 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 Abhishek Jagannathan called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m. and Youth Council Secretary Anika Nedunuri took attendance, verifying that a quorum was present.

Selection Districts		Members-At-Large			
V	Apollo High School Rep	P	Ethan Bhat	P	Jacob Peter
P	Ella McCrossan-RHS	P	Pranav Bijith		Salvanera
P	Jasleen Khangura-RHS	E	Simran Dhillon	Alternates	
P	Abhishek Jagannathan-SSHS	P	Abhishek Humbe	E	Saydee Ro
P	Advaith Nair-SSHS	P	Tanvi Ijju	A	Junxi Chen
P	Nandhiha Krishnamoorthi – SVHS	P	Sanchita Karthik	P*	Sunchana Sridharan
P	Anika Nedunuri-SVHS	P	Claire Menges	P = Present E = Excused A = Absent V = Vacant	
P	Jiya Bhatt-HMS	P*	Ian Nelson		
E	Rylan Downey-SMS	P	Divya Nunna		
P*	Sanjeev Akundi-VVMS	E	Kalyssa Ro		
*Arrived after approval of the minutes					

Staff: Kristin Tignac, Community Services Coordinator.

Guests: Student Angel Tan.

2. Agenda Review

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

3. Approval of Minutes from November 7, 2023

ACTION: A motion to approve the November 7, 2023, minutes as written was made by Jacob Salvanera and seconded by Nandhiha Krishnamoorthi.

Youth Council Vote: 15 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Abstentions

The motion passed.

4. Correspondence

Ms. Tignac reported that she had requested a meeting with Rancho Simi Recreation and Park District staff regarding the Youth Council’s goal of hosting a Multicultural Fair. Ms. Tignac stated that she and two Park District staff members would meet on November 15, 2023, to discuss options for event collaboration.

5. Public Statements/Comments

Student Angel Tan greeted the Youth Council and introduced herself.

6. Continued Business

a. Discussion of Youth Council Fundraising

Jacob Salvanera, Fundraising Committee Chair and Treasurer, asked all Youth Council members to provide updates on the businesses and individuals they had given sponsorship request letters to since the last Youth Council meeting on November 7, 2023. Youth Council members gave updates on which businesses, neighbors, and family members they had distributed letters to, as well as the businesses they planned on pursuing.

Mr. Salvanera also led a discussion of dates available to hold the annual Talent Show and silent auction fundraiser. Ms. Tignac provided an update that no Friday dates were available in April or May 2024 at the Simi Valley Cultural Arts Center.

ACTION: A motion to approve Wednesday, April 17, 2024, as the date for the annual Talent Show, with Thursday, April 11, 2024 as the backup date was made by Ian Nelson and seconded by Pranav Bijith.

Youth Council Vote: 16 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Abstentions

The motion passed.

b. Discussion of Holding a Youth Council Holiday Gift Exchange

Members randomly selected gift exchange names and finalized plans for the Holiday event to take place on Tuesday, December 19, 2023.

7. New Business

a. Discussion of a Review of the Youth Council Bylaws

Members discussed forming a committee to review the Youth Council Bylaws. All members had an interest in serving on the committee. Youth Council Chair Abhishek Jagannathan stated that an email would be sent by Ms. Tignac to check for meeting availability.

b. Selection of the 2024 Simi Valley Youth Summit Theme

Youth Summit Chair Advait "Aadi" Nair gave a brief overview of the purpose of a Youth Summit theme and stated that the committee had met and selected a few potential theme ideas that included Breaking Barriers; Connect the World; Reconnect to Reality; and Climbing Mountains. Members discussed options and then selected Breaking Barriers as the preferred theme.

ACTION: A motion to approve Breaking Barriers as the Youth Summit theme was made by Jiya Bhatt and seconded by Ethan Bhat.

Youth Council Vote: 17 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Abstentions

The motion passed.

The following Youth Council members volunteered to create graphic designs for the Youth Summit flyer by December 5, 2023: Jiya Bhatt, Pranav Bijith, Jasleen Khangura, and Divya Nunna.

Action Item: Ms. Tignac to send Jiya, Pranav, Jasleen and Divya copies of past Youth Summit flyers as examples.

8. Representative Reports

Youth Council Reports and Comments

Social Media Chair Ella McCrossan announced that the next committee meeting would be held on Wednesday, November 15, 2023. She reminded other committees to let the Social Media Committee know if they had any social media content ideas or event promotion needed. She also reminded everyone to follow @simivalleyyouthcouncil on Instagram, YouTube, and Facebook.

Fundraising Chair Jacob Salvanera stated that he would be sending out a Google form to determine member's availability for the next committee meeting.

Multicultural Fair Chair Abhi Humbe reported that the committee was finalizing a Multicultural Fair "food" proposal to be shared with the County of Ventura's Environmental Health Division.

Teen Wellness/Mental Health Committee Chair Jasleen Khangura announced that the Mental Health Survey had been completed and 120 responses had been received. She stated that the QR code and survey link would be shared with all members and asked that they send the survey to as many peers as possible.

Abhishek Jagannathan announced that he and Ella McCrossan, along with the rest of Santa Susana High School's Empire Mock Trial Team, had recently placed fourth in the world. Ms. McCrossan stated that there were 40 other teams representing five countries that competed in the Empire Mock Trial Competition held in Chicago, Illinois.

Aire Menges asked Youth Council members to not tag her on TikTok due to external circumstances.

9. Coordinator's Report

Ms. Tignac congratulated Nandhiha Krishnamoorthi on her Youth Council Informational Report presentation to the City Council on November 13, 2023.

Ms. Tignac thanked the following members for assisting at the City's Annual Volunteer Fair on Wednesday, November 8, 2024: Sanjeev Akundi, Ethan Bhat, Jiya Bhatt, Pranav Bijith, David Chen, Simran Dhillon, Rylan Downey, Abhi Humbe, Tanvi Ijju, Sanchita Karthik, Jasleen Khangura, Nandhiha Krishnamoorthi, Aire Menges, Aadi Nair, Anika Nedunuri, Divya Nunna, Kalyssa Ro, Saydee Ro and Sunchana Sridharan.

Reminders for upcoming committee meetings:

- Social Media at 5:30 p.m., on Wednesday, November 15, 2023;
- Youth Summit at 5:00 p.m., on Friday, November 17, 2023; and
- Teen Wellness at 6:00 p.m., on Monday, December 4, 2023.

10. Adjournment: Tuesday, December 5, 2023, 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library and Museum, Air Force One Board Room.

Youth Council Chair Abhishek Jagannathan adjourned the meeting at 5:55 p.m.