



YOUTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICE (YES) ADVISORY BOARD
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Wednesday, October 16, 2024, 8:15 a.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 Employment Service Advisory Board. Any individual member who will be abstaining from a discussion item should announce his/her intentions at this time.
3. Approval of the Minutes of September 18, 2024
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 Employment Service Advisory Board. Statements and comments are limited to no more than five (5) minutes per speaker.
6. Continued Business
7. New Business
 - a. Discussion of the 7th Annual Volunteer Fair on Thursday, November 14, 2024
 - b. Discussion of Startup Simi
 - c. Discussion on Hosting Inspire Entrepreneurship Forums
8. Youth Employment Service Advisory Board Reports and Comments
This is the time for Youth Employment Service Advisory Board members' statements or comments on matters within the subject matter and jurisdiction of the Youth Employment Service Advisory Board 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: Wednesday, November 20, 2024, 8:15 a.m., City Hall Community Room

/s/ _____
Anna M. Medina
Deputy Community Services Director

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DRAFT MINUTES

1. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance/Welcome

Chair Gloria Bowman called the meeting to order at 8:18 a.m. and Acting Secretary Eric Verwey verified that a quorum was present.

P	Anthony Angelini	P	Rita Longo		Alternates
P	Gloria Bowman	P	Bernardo Perez	P	Eric Verwey
P	Al Brown	P	Ryan Taggart	P	Stacey Roth
P	Hayley Estrada	A	Rikka Tignac	E	Rithmika Naveen
A	Amey Gupta	P	Jennifer Wigdor	V	Vacant
E	Tim Harrington	V	Local Business	P	Present
E	Chelsie Kennedy	V	Local Business	E	Excused
E	Nicole Kim	*Arrived after approval of minutes		A	Absent

Staff: Ryan Fowler, Youth Employment Services Coordinator

Guests: Tammy White, Simi Valley Unified School District; Kelly Behle, Simi Valley Public Library; Dr. Angelica Chaves, Simi Valley Unified School District

2. Agenda Review

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

3. Approval of Minutes from September 18, 2024

ACTION: A motion to approve the September 18, 2024, minutes as presented was made by Vice Chair Al Brown and seconded by Bernardo Perez.

YES Advisory Board Vote: 10 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Abstentions

The motion passed.

4. Correspondence

Youth Employment Services Coordinator Ryan Fowler asked who from the board would be attending the upcoming Volunteer Dinner on September 26. Chair Gloria Bowman and Vice Chair Al Brown indicated they would be attending.

5. Public Statements/Comments

No public statements or comments were made.

6. Informational Presentation - None

7. Continued Business - None

8. New Business

a. Discussion of the 2024-25 YES Advisory Board Work Plan

Chair Gloria Bowman reviewed the purpose of the Work Plan and events that the YES Advisory Board has previously hosted. Dr. Angelica Chavez asked what the purpose of the YES Advisory Board is and Ms. Bowman read the YES Advisory Board mission statement. Bernardo Perez asked about the city's economic development plan and Ms. Bowman stated that in the past the YES Advisory board has received informational presentations from the City and the County regarding economic development. The Interview Skills Workshop in February, the City Expo at the October Street Fair, and the Summer Workshop Series were all discussed and added to the work plan. Hosting a Volunteer Fair was discussed, and tentatively scheduled for November 13 at the Boys & Girls Club, with November 14 as an alternate date. Jennifer Wigdor stated that a flyer be created and submitted to the school district for approval. Hosting a Job & Career Fair was discussed, and the board suggested adding an "Alternatives to College" workshop and a "Financial Literacy" workshop to the Job & Career Expo.

ACTION: A motion to approve the 2024-25 YES Advisory Board work plan (Participation in the Street Fair, Volunteer Fair, Interview Skills Workshop, Job & Career Fair with Alternatives to College and Financial Literacy Workshops, and Summer Workshop Series) was made by Anthony Angelini and seconded by Vice Chair Al Brown.

YES Advisory Board Vote: 10 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Abstentions

The motion passed.

b. Discussion of the Date for the 2025 Yes Job and Career Fair

Chair Gloria Bowman stated that the Job & Career Fair is typically held in April. After discussing various holidays in April, High School Prom dates and High School testing dates, the board suggested April 26, 2025 as the date for the Job & Career Fair, to be held at the Simi Valley Public Library. April 5, 2025 was suggested as the alternate date. Kelly Behle indicated that she would check the Library's schedule to see if April 26, 2025 was available. There being no objections, Ms. Bowman continued voting on the proposed date of the Job and Career Fair to the next YES Advisory Board meeting, when Ms. Behle could confirm the Library's availability.

9. Youth Employment Service Advisory Board Reports and Comments

Anthony Angelini shared that the Sunrise Rotary Club was hosting its annual Octoberfest Event on October 5. Mr. Angelini also stated that the Chamber of Commerce's Street Fair on October 26 was sold out. Kelly Behle shared that the Simi Valley Public Library was hosting a Casino Night the evening of October 5. Chair Gloria Bowman shared different options she was considering for items to give away at the Street Fair and asked for the board's feedback.

10. Coordinator's Report

YES Coordinator Ryan Fowler asked the board for any feedback regarding the Simi Valley Unified School Districts College & Career Fair, held on September 11,

which the YES Advisory Board had a booth at. Board members stated that it was a well-attended and well organized event. Mr. Fowler thanked Jennifer Wigdor and Hayley Estrada for hosting the event, and Al Brown, Gloria Bowman, Eric Verwey and Rita Longo for working the YES booth. Mr. Fowler stated the Youth Council was hosting a Rock Painting Night for suicide prevention on September 20.

11. Adjournment: Wednesday, October 16, 2024, 8:15 a.m., in the City Hall Community Room.

By consensus of the YES Advisory Board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:25 a.m.