

**SIMI VALLEY YOUTH COUNCIL**

Tuesday, February 4, 2014, 5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.  
City Hall Community Room  
2929 Tapo Canyon Road

**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
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. Continued Business  
Youth Summit Facilitator Training and Small Group Practice
7. New Business  
Volunteer Opportunities for Arbor Day on Saturday, March 15, 2014
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, February 18, 2014, 5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m., City Hall Community Room.

/s/ \_\_\_\_\_  
Rob Bruce  
Deputy Director/Community Programs & Facilities

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DRAFT MINUTES

1. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance/Welcome

Youth Council Chair Cory Edwards called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. and Youth Council Secretary Nicole Waggoner verified that a quorum was present.

Selection Districts		Members-At-Large			
V	Apollo High School	P	Amanat Bal	P	Nicole Waggoner
P	Emily Schmitt-RHS	P	Nicholas Becerra	Alternates	
P	Nick Steinwender-RHS	P	Cory Edwards	P	Katie Johnson
P	Robert Hidalgo-SSHS	P	Hannah Hernandez	V	Vacant
P	Veronica Martinez-SSHS	P	Jeffrey Ho	V	Vacant
P	Garrett Gilson-SVHS	P	Tyler Johnson		
P	Kailey Printz-SVHS	P	Nicolas Judge	P = Present E = Excused A = Absent V = Vacant	
P	Zalma Quezada-HMS	P	Kellie McManamon		
P	Connor Mullen-SMS	P	Leah Nohrenberg		
E	Janelle Effarah-VVMS	P	Nicolas Mintzer		
*Arrived after approval of the minutes					

Staff: Kristin Tignac, Youth Council Coordinator.

Guest: Philip Ho.

2. Agenda Review

The agenda was approved as presented.

3. Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the January 7, 2014, minutes as written was made by Tyler Johnson and seconded by Zalma Quezada. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Correspondence

No correspondence was received.

5. Public Statements/Comments

No public statements or comments were made.

6. Informational Presentation

Water Conservation/Water Efficiency by Wanda Moyer, Environmental Compliance Program Coordinator, Department of Public Works

Ms. Moyer provided a presentation about the need to conserve water and improve water efficiency. She reported that California Governor Brown declared a statewide drought on January 17, 2014. With nearly 70 percent of Simi Valley's water being used for landscape irrigation coupled with State water supplies dwindling, she encouraged the Youth Council to evaluate their water

consumption and look for ways for their families to improve the efficiency of their irrigation systems and household devices. She discussed water conservation related resources, devices, and rebates. She also provided an overview of City projects, available classes for homeowners related to landscaping and maintenance, and the City's ordinances and policies that assist in improving the community's water efficiency. Additional resources and information can be found on the City's website at [www.simivalley.org/waterconservation](http://www.simivalley.org/waterconservation) or [www.bewaterwise.com](http://www.bewaterwise.com) and at the upcoming Simi Valley Arbor Day scheduled for March 15, 2014.

7. Continued Business

Youth Summit Facilitator Training and Small Group Practice

Youth Summit committee Chair Veronica Martinez stated that Youth Summit group leaders would be facilitating the discussion of their assigned small group topics. Ms. Martinez asked members to think about the topic issues they are assigned to, then to facilitate their small groups by asking four key questions:

- What are issues within their topic area?
- What are some reasons that may be causing or intensifying the issue(s)?
- What are possible solutions?
- Are there any repercussions with resolving the problem?

Ms. Martinez led a group exercise where members were separated into five small groups. Each group was asked to answer the four key questions with regards to one of three sample issues designated by the Youth Summit committee.

8. New Business

Discussion of Youth Summit Event Decorations

Youth Summit Chair Veronica Martinez discussed the event decoration ideas selected by the Youth Summit committee. The following Youth Council members volunteered to create movie-themed table centerpieces to be brought to the Rancho Santa Susana Recreation Center the night before the summit:

Amanat Bal – *Star Wars*

Nicholas Becerra – *World War Z*

Cory Edwards – *Casa Blanca*

Garrett Gilson – *Titanic* and *Anchorman*

Hannah Hernandez – *The Wizard of Oz*

Tyler Johnson – *Wall-E*

Nicolas Judge – Western movie theme

Veronica Martinez – *Lion King* and *Monsters Inc.*

Kellie McManamon – *Hunger Games*

Nicolas Mintzer - *Terminator*

Connor Mullen – *The Godfather*

Kailey Printz – *The Phantom of the Opera*

Zalma Quezada – *Toy Story*

Emily Schmitt - *Avatar*

Nick Steinwender – *The Great Gatsby and the Avengers*

Nicole Waggoner – *Harry Potter*

9. Representative Reports

Youth Council Reports and Comments

Amanat Bal reported that she had presented Youth Council Comments to the City Council on January 13, 2014.

10. Coordinator's Report

Ms. Tignac announced that Kellie McManamon would be presenting the Youth Council Comments at the February 3 City Council Meeting.

Ms. Tignac reminded Youth Council members to complete a Youth Summit online application. She also encouraged all Youth Council members to continue promoting the Youth Summit by making announcements in their classes and encouraging peers to attend the event. She stated that members should also promote registering online at [www.simivalley.org/YouthSummit](http://www.simivalley.org/YouthSummit).

11. Adjournment: Tuesday, February 4, 2014, 5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m., City Hall Community Room.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.