

## 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
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. Informational Presentation
  - a. Youth Crime by Community Liaison Officer Brennan, Simi Valley Police Department
  - b. Simi Valley Explorer Post 2910 by Explorer Captain Robert Rosenberg
  - c. Students Against Destructive Decisions (SADD) by Katherine Kasmir, Southern California SADD Liaison
7. Continued Business
8. New Business
  - a. Discussion of Youth Council Recruitment and Outreach
  - b. Discussion Regarding Rescheduling/Canceling the June 3 and June 17, 2014, Youth Council Meetings
9. 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.
10. Coordinator's Report



11. Adjournment: Tuesday, May 20, 2014, 5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m., City Hall Community Room.

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

\*Please note the change in meeting location.

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 Vice Chair Nicholas Becerra called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. and Youth Council Coordinator Kristin Tignac verified that a quorum was present.

Selection Districts		Members-At-Large			
V	Apollo High School	A	Amanat Bal	P*	Nicole Waggoner
P	Emily Schmitt-RHS	P	Nicholas Becerra	Alternates	
P	Nick Steinwender-RHS	E	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		
P	Janelle Effarah-VVMS	P	Nicolas Mintzer		
*Arrived after approval of the minutes					

Staff: Kristin Tignac, Youth Council Coordinator.  
Guests: Timothy Ho, Bree Nuss, and Teddy Tang.

2. Agenda Review

The agenda was approved as presented.

3. Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the March 18, 2014, minutes as written was made by Veronica Martinez and seconded by Nick Steinwender. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Correspondence

No correspondence received.

5. Public Statements/Comments

Bree Nuss, Master's degree in Recreation, Tourism and Management student, asked Youth Council members if they would complete an optional survey on preferences on design and programming for a Teen Center, a project she was working on for a Facilities class. She also stated that she would be submitting the finalized Teen Center project to the Rancho Simi Recreation and Park District.

6. Informational Presentation

Simi Valley Youth Employment Service

Ms. Tignac, the Youth Employment Service (YES) Coordinator, gave a brief overview of the YES program, including the Interview Skills Workshops offered to all tenth grade Simi Valley Unified School District students and the upcoming YES Job and Career Expo scheduled on Saturday, April 26, 2014, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Boys and Girls Club of Simi Valley.

Ms. Tignac also stated that youth ages 15 through 22 can make appointments to receive coaching on the application process, interview skills, professionalism in the workplace, and job referrals. Appointments can be made by calling (805) 522-HIRE (4473).

Ms. Tignac announced that new this year, the YES Advisory Board would offer a Soft Skills/Customer Service and Cashiering workshop at the Simi Valley Public Library on Monday, April 14, 2014, from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. This workshop is free and no reservations were required. She stated that space was limited, so arrive early to check in.

Ms. Tignac stated that the Youth Council has traditionally had a table at the Job and Career Expo to promote civic engagement and volunteer opportunities, as well as, Youth Council recruitment. The following Youth Council members volunteered to man the table at the event: Garrett Gilson, Nicolas Mintzer and Nick Steinwender. Veronica Martinez stated that she would also be there as a YES Advisory Board member.

7. Continued Business

Debrief of 2014 Youth Summit

Ms. Tignac stated that the following updates were received with regards to the Youth Summit debrief:

Solution: Increase awareness, education and prevention of cyber bullying, by hosting a Cyber Bullying Forum in Simi Valley

During the luncheon portion of the Youth Summit, the idea of hosting a Cyber Bullying Forum in Simi Valley was discussed by representatives from California State Senator Fran Pavley's Office, the Rancho Simi Recreation and Park District, Community Coalition United, and the City of Simi Valley. A representative with the Rancho Simi Recreation and Park District stated they are working with the other entities with a date pending in the fall of 2014.

Solution: Increase prevention awareness of underage drinking and drug use

Guest Presenter, Community Liaison Officer Ryan Brennan, has been invited to present and discuss current drug, alcohol related and other youth crime statistics at the April 15 Youth Council meeting.

Special Guest Presenter, Cherie Toyen, Intervention Counselor with the Simi Valley Unified School District (SVUSD), has been invited to present at the May 20 Youth Council meeting. She will discuss the District's current intervention programs, as well as, speak about their new Voluntary Random Drug Testing Program in coordination with the Simi Valley Hospital.

Solution: Reduce alcohol and drug use on school campuses by increasing frequency of random drug searches conducted on school campuses

A representative with the Simi Valley Police Department has been invited to attend and present at the May 20 Youth Council meeting to discuss K9 drug searches.

Youth Council members discussed the youth-related statistics and trends that they were interested in learning about on April 15, 2014. The following statistics were selected to request of the Community Liaison Officer:

- Calls for service on school grounds (how many, what they were for)
- How many school fights (is there one school that has more than others?)
- Gang related violence and incidents of tagging
- Possession of alcohol and drugs for minors (as well as up to 25 year olds)
- Arrests for DUI, distracted driving/texting (broken down by under 21 and over)
- Moving violations - speeding, reckless driving for 18 and under
- Incidents of school lock downs over past three years (reasons)
- Suicide for minors and for under 25
- Arrests involving transients
- What is typically left behind after individuals are removed from homeless encampments

Ms. Tignac stated that Youth Summit Thank You cards were sent to all the dignitaries that attended the 2014 Youth Summit.

## 8. New Business

- a. Discussion of the Teens in the Driver Seat's Safe Teen Driving Program

Ms. Tignac reported that Royal High School and Santa Susana High School had both elected to participate in the Safe Teen Driving program. Ms. McManamon reported that she is waiting for a response from Simi Valley High School administration.

After a brief discussion, a motion to approve the Youth Council request that the City Council recognize May as Youth Traffic Safety Month was made by Nicolas Mintzer and seconded by Zalma Quezada. The motion passed unanimously.

b. Discussion of Youth Council Recruitment

Ms. Tignac gave a brief overview of the Youth Council recruitment process. Youth Council applications were distributed for the 2014-15 term. Eligible Youth Council members interested in re-applying should submit their applications as soon as possible.

For city-wide recruitment, Youth Council Selection District representatives were given Youth Council applications and signed approval forms from the Simi Valley Unified School District to give to their respective schools.

Ms. Tignac stated that all Youth Council members should be promoting the Youth Council recruitment and that applications may also be submitted online at [www.simivalley.org/YouthCouncil](http://www.simivalley.org/YouthCouncil). She announced that completed applications must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on Friday, May 2, 2014.

c. Discussion Regarding Rescheduling/Canceling the May 6, 2014, Youth Council Meeting

Tyler Johnson moved to cancel the May 6, 2014 Youth Council meeting. Katie Johnson seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

9. Representative Reports

Youth Council Reports and Comments

Tyler Johnson announced that both Chaminade College Preparatory School's Girls' and Boys' Basketball teams won CIF State Championship titles this year.

Nicolas Mintzer inquired if the Intergenerational Wii Bowling rematch date had been scheduled yet.

10. Coordinator's Report

Ms. Tignac reminded Youth Council members that volunteered to distribute flyers notifying residents and businesses located near the planned Every Fifteen

Minutes crash site that they would meet in the parking lot in front of Saint Peter Claver Church, located at 5649 Pittman Street, at 10:00 a.m., on Saturday, April 5, 2014. The following members had volunteered to distribute flyers: Kellie McManamon, Zalma Quezada, and Nick Steinwender.

Ms. Tignac announced that Nicolas Mintzer was scheduled to present the Youth Council Comments to City Council on Monday, April 7, 2014.

11. Adjournment: Tuesday, April 15 2014, 5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m., \*Simi Valley Senior Center. \*Please note change in meeting location.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:52 p.m.