

**YOUTH ADVISORY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
March 8, 2017**

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Taneja at 6:01 p.m.
2. **ROLL CALL:**
 - a. **Present:** Collins, Gadamsetti, Gill, Hagler, Razi, Ramirez, Taneja
 - b. **Absent:** Cho, Siddiqui
 - c. **Tardy:** J. Dhillon, R. Dhillon, Fubanks
 - d. **Adult Commissioners Present:** Huffman
 - e. **Staff Present:** Justin Geibig, Recreation Coordinator I
 - f. **Recorded by:** Andrew Gambalio, Recreation Leader III
3. **ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE:**

Parks and Recreation Director, Andre Pichly welcomed the new Youth Advisory Commissioners and mentioned at his previous employer their city did not have a Youth Commission for four years.
4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM Regular Meeting on February 8, 2017**
 - a. **Motion to Approve:** Razi
 - b. **Second:** Gill
 - c. **Abstain:** None
 - d. **Vote:** Approved by majority vote
5. **CORRESPONDENCE:** None
6. **Introduction of new Youth Commissioners**

Staff Geibig introduced two new Youth Commissioners, Collins and Fubanks. Each Commissioner introduced themselves and shared what high school they attend, grade and any extra-curricular activities they're involved in.
7. **OLD BUSINESS:**
 - a. **Discuss the status of the 2017 Youth Advisory Commission's goals and work plan**

Commissioner Taneja provided an update on the 2017 Youth Advisory Commission Goals and Objectives. Staff Geibig addressed the Commission on the Intergenerational Program at the Lolly Hansen Senior Center and mentioned that no Commissioners attended on March 6 and it is each Commissioners responsibility to attend these events. Commissioner Gill provided an update on the College and Vocational Resource Guide and the subcommittee provided a draft of the resource guide for the Commission to review. Commissioner Razi provided an update for the subcommittee to implement new community service projects and provided a list of different organizations and projects the subcommittee brainstormed and researched. Commissioner Razi mentioned organizations such as the McHenry House, Tracy Interfaith, Rotary Clubs and Brighter Christmas, and projects such as reading projects, helping homeless, hosting a drive and volunteering with the Junior Giants baseball program. Commissioner Gadamsetti suggested the local senior living facilities and Commissioner Gill mentioned possibly working with the Boys and Girls Club.
8. **NEW BUSINESS:**
 - a. **Discuss and propose dates to host Park Clean Up Events at the Dry Climate Park at Hoyt Park and determine marketing strategies to recruit teen participation**

Commissioner Taneja provided an update for the park clean up event. Commissioner Razi provided history of the Dry Climate Park at Hoyt Park to the new Commissioners. Commissioner Taneja surveyed the Commission to tentatively host the first park clean up on

April 22 and by majority each Commissioner is able to attend. Adult Commissioner Huffman suggested to post the event on social media to promote the event. Staff Geibig mentioned he will work with public works to schedule the event. The subcommittee is scheduled to meet on March 15 to draft an event flyer and propose other marketing strategies to recruit teen participation.

b. Discuss and approve YAC's participation with the summer teen camp program and discuss marketing strategies

Commissioner Taneja gave an update on the proposed summer teen camps and mentioned he worked the cooking camps last summer and it was a fun experience teaching teens to cook. Commissioner Ramirez also mentioned he enjoyed working the cooking camps last summer and the food the teens cooked was really good. Staff Gambalio mentioned new summer camps for 2017 have been added such as a clay sculpting camp, paper mache camp and a gardening camp at the Lolly Hansen Senior Center. Staff Geibig stated at the April YAC meeting the new camps will be added to the agenda and each Commissioner will have the opportunity to volunteer for at least two different summer camps.

c. Discuss and approve YAC's participation to host an activity at the local high schools focusing on teen trends or issues

Commissioner Gill provided an update to host an activity at the local high schools and mentioned the subcommittee brainstormed three different topics such as a going green event to spread teen awareness to help the environment. Commissioner J. Dhillon mentioned an event focusing on building self-confidence and possibly host karaoke events during the school lunches. Staff Geibig mentioned the idea of hosting a resource booth to help gain teen awareness for summer job opportunities, volunteer opportunities or ways to get involved over the summer. Staff Geibig also mentioned to possibly reach out to the Hire Me First program to help provide resources for teens at the event. Staff Geibig asked the Commission if any of the activities directors have changed so he knows who to contact to host an event at the high schools.

9. ITEMS FROM STAFF:

Staff Geibig provided an update on the Volunteer Recognition Event that will take place on April 24, 2017 and mentioned the event is an opportunity for the City of Tracy to thank all those who volunteered for city programs and events. Staff Geibig also mentioned there is a YAC recruitment open and for Commissioners to take applications to give to their friends who may be interested.

10. ITEMS FROM THE COMMISSION:

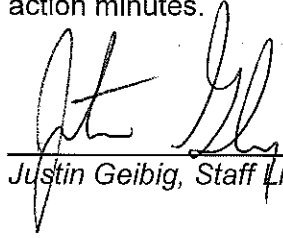
Commissioner J. Dhillon stated Tracy High School had their symposium on medicine and health on March 8 and mentioned Adult Commissioner Arriola spoke to students about poverty and his personal story and success. Commissioner R. Dhillon mentioned the Monologue Festival is March 21 at Kimball High School at 7pm and the performing arts clubs will be performing from each high school.

11. ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE: None

12. ADJOURNMENT: Next meeting on *April 12, 2017, at 6:00pm*

- a. **Motion to Adjourn:** J. Dhillon
- b. **Second:** Ramirez
- c. **Vote:** Approved by majority vote
- d. **Time:** 7:08pm

The above agenda was posted at the Tracy City Hall on March 2, 2017. The above are summary and action minutes.



Justin Geibig, Staff Liason