

**YOUTH ADVISORY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
December 13, 2023**

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by Chair Kaur at 6:03 p.m.

2. **ROLL CALL:**

- a. Present: Strickland, McAdams, Su, Mahendran, Kaur, Kala, Shah, Syed
- b. Absent: Tatari
- c. Tardy: Bhattacharyya
- d. Adult Commissioners Present: Amezquita-Javier
- e. Staff Present: Amanda Jensen, Recreation Coordinator, Caitlin Perkey, Recreation Coordinator
- f. Recorded by: Amanda Jensen, Recreation Coordinator

3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The pledge of allegiance was led by Chair Kaur.

4. **ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE:** Navi Kahlon introduced herself as a Trustee at Tracy Unified School District and a Commissioner for the Environmental Sustainability Commission. Kahlon stated that she is proud of the commission for volunteering their time to do their civic duty. Kahlon stated that she is available for the commission if they have any questions or concerns from the school district prospective and for the commission to reach out to her when needed. Kahlon also hoped that YAC could partner with the great initiatives that would presented next.

Dotty Nygard introduced herself as the President of Tracy Earth Project. Nygard discussed the Tracy Earth Day Challenge and urged the Commission to help spread the word and possibly even submit a project to Tracy Earth Day Challenge themselves. She also provided information on upcoming projects such as their TEP (Tracy Earth Project) talks, Youth Council, and Earth Day Festival.

5. **APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:**

- a. Review and Approve the Regular Meeting Minutes from October 11, 2023.

ACTION: A motion was made to approve the minutes with the 2 amendments to page 1, Section 2 changing Commission Shah to absent and Commissioner McAdams to present, by Commissioner McAdams and seconded by Commissioner Syed. A roll call vote found all in favor. Passed and so ordered.

6. **OLD BUSINESS:**

- a. Review and Discuss the Youth Advisory Commission Goals, Objectives, and Action Steps For 2023

Staff Jensen explained to the Commission that although they were unable to complete most of their goals, partially due to lack of quorum, 2024 is a new year and they can all work hard to have a successful year.

- b. Discuss and Approve Commission Goals, Objectives, and Action Steps for 2024

Chair Kaur reviewed the 2024 Youth Advisory Commission Goals, Objectives, and Action Steps for 2024. Commissioners who were absent at the previous meeting volunteered for a minimum of two subcommittees.

c. Discuss the Status of the Youth Advisory Commission 2023 Annual Report Presentation

Chair Kaur talked about her experience presenting to the Parks and Community Services Commission and mentioned that the Commission did ask why there was not quorum and she replied that it was due to commissioners very busy schedules with Advanced Placement classes and other extracurricular activities. Staff Jensen reiterated that Chair Kaur did a tremendous job and ended up having to present the report alone. Staff Jensen encouraged the other commissioners to attend the council meeting on February 6, 2024, to show their support.

7. ITEMS FROM STAFF:

a. Rollin' Rec Date Reminders

Staff Jensen reminded the Commissioners that the Rollin' Rec program was still being offered through the Winter and provided the Commissioners with an Activity Guide with Rollin' Rec information on the back. She also reminded them of their goals to support Rollin' Rec.

b. Upcoming Events

Staff Jensen discussed the upcoming Black & White Ball at the Senior Center and asked for commissioners to volunteer if available. Staff Jensen once again reminded the Commission of the date of the YAC Annual Report to Council.

8. ITEMS FROM THE COMMISSION:

Commissioner Bhattacharyya shared that his friend was involved in cancer research and asked where his friend could find healthcare partners within Tracy. Staff Jensen suggested his friend get in touch with the Chamber of Commerce for a list of businesses.

Commissioner Kala shared that he was working on a project for the Tracy Community Band utilizing the scholarship provided by the Tracy Friends for Parks Foundation that was presented at a previous meeting. The project consists of making a Percussion Cabinet at the Grand Theatre Center for the Arts and will be used to store the Tracy Community Band's procession equipment.

9. ADJOURNMENT:

Time: 6:31pm

ACTION: A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Commissioner Bhattacharyya and seconded by Commissioner Shah. Roll call vote found all in favor. Passed and so ordered.

The above agenda was posted at the Tracy City Hall on December 6, 2023. The above are action minutes. A recording is available at the Parks and Recreation Department.


Amanda Jensen, Staff Liaison