

February 8, 2012

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by Chair Shelton at 6:08 p.m.
2. **ROLL CALL:**
 - a. **Present:** Gill, Hong, Muscat, McGuinness, Mizuno, Shah A., Shah K., Shelton, Shibata
 - b. **Absent:** Arganbright, Goulart
 - c. **Adult Commissioners Present:** Shelton
 - d. **Staff Present:** Laura Johnston, Recreation Coordinator
 - e. **Recorded by:** Beatrice Amezquita, Recreation Leader III
3. **ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE:** None
4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM REGULAR MEETING ON March 14, 2011**
 - a. **Motion to Approve:** Gill
 - b. **Second:** McGuinness
 - c. **Abstain:** None
 - d. **Vote:** Approved by majority vote.
5. **CORRESPONDENCE:** None
6. **NEW BUSINESS:**
 - a. **Discuss and select the Youth Advisory Commission's volunteer project for National Volunteer Week, April 15-21, 2012**

Staff Johnston suggested that the commission think of a small simple project that could be done during the week of April 15-21. Staff Johnston gave the idea of collecting donations after school at City Hall or the new Downtown Plaza. The commissioners were asked to think of ideas, pick one and then form a small subcommittee that would help Staff Johnston to arrange the dates, location and actual project. Commissioner Shelton's idea was to link up with Tracy High Schools KEBO club, dedicated to community service projects, to help raise money for a young cancer victim. Adult commissioner Shelton suggested that the commission collect donations or have different types of games that would draw teens to the collection. Commissioner Gill's idea was to visit the various Boys and Girls Club location for 1 hour and talk to the students about a topic such as drugs or violence. Commissioner Shelton's second idea was to use her No Worries Now Charity, which throws proms for the terminally ill, to collect used prom dresses. Since the TUSD district has there prom before June 5th, the students would fill out pledge cards, promising to donate their prom dresses. Commissioner Shibata questioned Commissioner Shelton's cancer victim idea and asked what YAC could do. Commissioner Shelton responded that they could accept donations and get the word out about the collection drive. Commissioner Shibata then suggested to have a small fair with booths. Staff Johnson said to simplify and keep the ideas smaller since it is just a volunteer project. She also stated that Commissioner K. Shah's dream project, to hold a food drive and donate to a foundation in need, was a possibility for National Volunteer Week. Staff Johnson called for a vote between the cancer patient drive, the Boys & Girls Club and the No Worries Now prom dress charity. Commissioners were asked to vote once. Majority ruled to do the cancer patient drive. Two commissioners were needed for the subcommittee. Commissioners Shelton and Gill as well as Adult Commissioner Shelton formed the subcommittee. The subcommittee will meet Wednesday March 21st, 2012 at 4:30pm in City Hall.
 - b. **Discuss and select two Dream Projects and select date to have them completed.**

The goal was set for April but can be completed as late as June 30th, 2012. Staff Johnston read aloud the commissioners Dream Projects and had them speak for about 1 minute about their project or propose a new idea. Commissioner Mizuno's Dream project was to hold an informational camp for freshman and sophomores, to help explain and teach them about the SATs, different graduation paths and how to get financial aide for college.
 - c. **Discuss and approve ideas, programs and events for the Don't Text & Drive Campaign and**

appoint commissioners to subcommittee

Staff Johnston asked that the commission form a subcommittee that will start to work with the school's in getting the approval of the City of Tracy's YouTube PSA about texting and driving. Commission Huffman volunteered to take the link to the Tracy Unified School District for approval. The commissioners were asked to speak to their activity directors for the schools they are assigned to and to find out if there is anything else they need to do to get approval to show the PSA at that school. Staff Johnston also mention the campaign that All State is doing for the "Don't text and Drive" movement. They have a poster you can get and have everyone put their thumb print on it pledging not to text and drive and after they make their pledge they would receive a "thumbie".

d. Discuss the purpose of the YAC annual retreat to be held March 5 and assign two commissioners to a subcommittee to plan the retreat

Staff Johnston informed the commission that the retreat has moved from February 27th, 2012 to March 5th, 2012. Staff Johnston asked for the commission to form a subcommittee to plan retreat. The retreat will be an afternoon long event lasting from 2pm-5pm. The subcommittee needs to plan the theme, icebreakers, activities, and an agenda for the afternoon. Two commissioners were needed for the subcommittee. Commissioners Shelton and Hong as well as Adult Commissioner Shelton formed the subcommittee. The subcommittee will meet Wednesday February 29th, 2012 at 4:30pm. The purpose of the retreat is to start to plan for the next year.

e. Discuss the Youth Advisory Commission's commitment to host a volunteer project during National Volunteer Week, April 15-21, 2012

Staff Johnson requested that the commission approve their commitment to hosting an event during this time period. Nation Volunteer week is a Sunday thru a Saturday. The commission does not have to host an event that will last all week; they just need to host an event during that week.

Motion to Approve: Goulart
Second: Gill
Abstain: None
Vote: Approved by majority vote

7. 7. Old Business

a. Discuss the status of the 2011/2012 Youth Advisory Commission Goals and Work Plan

Staff Johnston led the commission thru the 2011/2012 Youth Advisory Commission Goals and Work Plan to discuss the status of where the commission is in completing them.

2.B.1. Survey questions

- Have you been to a YAC sponsored event before?
- What parts of the event did you like?
- What could we improve on to make the event more enjoyable?
- Would you be interested in attending another event in the future?
- What types of events would you be interested in attending in the future?
- Which commissioner if any encouraged you to take this survey?

Adult Commissioner Huffman also suggested maybe having a drawing as an incentive for people to complete the survey. He also suggested the last question as an incentive for the commission to go out and get teens and youth to complete the survey.

2.B.2. Marketing Places

Commissioner Goulart compiled a list of places and ways to market to youth in the city. His ideas are to promote through West Valley Mall, Facebook, schools, face to face and city events. Staff Johnston also suggested promoting at the Sutter Tracy Health Fair in May and at the Farmers Market. Staff Johnston

also though that the commission might be able to hold communities drive at the Farmers Markets during the National volunteer week.

Action Step	Update	Commissioners
1.A.1.	In progress- Play 24/7 Camp/ Healthy Choices Camp	Shelton
1.A.2.	In progress	Subcommittee
1.A.3.	June 2012	YAC
1.B.1.	In progress- College Prep Workshop and Other ideas	A Shah., Gill
1.B.2.	Next Meeting	
1.B.3.	Next Meeting	YAC
1.C.1.	Complete	McGuiness, Shibata
1.C.2.	In Progress	Subcommittees
1.C.3.	July 2012	YAC/ Staff
2.A.1.	Complete	K. Shah
2.A.2.	Next Meeting	
2.A.3.	Next Meeting	
2.B.1.	Complete- Made Survey- Put survey on YAC website	
2.B.2.	Complete- Compiled list	Goulart
3.A.1.	In progress	Subcommittee for YAC Retreat
3.A.2.	In progress	Subcommittee for YAC Retreat
3.A.3.		YAC
3.B.1.	March Date decided at Retreat	YAC and Staff

8. Items from Staff

a. Review events calendar

The YAC retreat was moved from February 27th, 2012 to March 5, 2012.

b. Dinner and a Movie... Just for Teens update

Staff Johnston informed the commission that the event was cancelled for now. There was not enough time to development the marketing material and no one was registered yet.

c. Spring break calendars

The April YAC meeting is during spring break. The commission needs to contact Staff Johnston if they cannot attend. If there are not enough commissioners who cannot attend the meeting the commission can hold a “Special Meeting” the week before or the week after.

d. Letters of recommendation

Staff Johnston informed the commissioners that if they need letters of recommendations they need to let her of Staff Jauregui know at least two weeks prior to when the letter is needed. The letters of recommendation will also only cover commissioners’ involvement in YAC and YAC sponsored activities.

9. Items from the Commission

Commissioners Mizuno, Shelton and K. Shah are excited about the summer camps and all the possibilities the commission is coming up with this year.

Commission Gill would like the commission to participate in helping promote the Ping Pong Tournament for the Tracy Unified School district. It would be a YAC and Tracy unified School District Sponsored event. Only two commissioners are needed to help out with this event. The two chosen commissioners will help determine the date the event will take place along with the School district.

Commissioner A. Shah mentioned the “Teens for Jeans” drive that Kimball High School is participating in to try to get more people to get involved and donate.

Commissioner Huffman offered a flier for the “Tracy’s Got Talent” show put on by the Tracy Educational

Foundation. He also found a place that will sponsor a project so he encouraged the commissioners to submit their ideas.

10. Items from the Audience

None.

11. Adjournment to next Regular Meeting on March 14, 2012

- a. **Motion to Adjourn:** Goulart
- b. **Second:** Gill
- c. **Vote:** Approved by majority vote
- d. **Time:** 7:15 p.m.