YOUTH ADVISORY COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

March 14, 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, McGuiness, Mizuno, Shah A., Shah K., Shelton, Shibata
- b. Absent: Arganbright, Goulart
- c. Adult Commissioners Present: Shelton
- d. Staff Present: Laura Johnston, Recreation Coordinatore. Recorded by: Beatrice Amezquita, Recreation Leader III
- 3. ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE: None

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM REGULAR MEETING ON February 8, 2012

a. Motion to Approve: Gill

b. Second: McGuinessc. 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 asked the commission to propose and select a volunteer project that would be done April 15-21. Commissioner Shelton proposed to assist the Tracy High School KEBO club. Commissioner Gill proposed to visit the various Boys and Girls Club locations. Commissioner Shelton also proposed that YAC support her "No Worries Now" charity. Staff Johnston stated that Commissioner K. Shah's dream project, to hold a food drive and donate to a foundation in need, was a possibility as well. Commissioners had a majority vote to support the Tracy High School KEBO club. Commissioners Shelton and Gill and 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 to complete a Dream Project was set for April but can be completed as late as June 30th, 2012. Staff Johnston read the Dream Projects and had the respective Commissioner speak for 1 minute about their project. Commissioners voted for 2 of the Dream Projects. Commissioner McGuiness's coordination with the Military Moms of Tracy and Commissioner Hong's accelerated reader and incentive program were chosen by majority vote. The subcommittee for Military Moms consists of Commissioner Gill, McGuiness, and Commissioner Shelton will sit in. They will meet on March 28th at 4:30pm. The subcommittee for the Book Club will consist of Commissioner K. Shah, A. Shah, and Hong.

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.

b. Discuss the status of YAC's participation in the "Don't Text and Drive" campaign and assign commissioners to promote the campaign at their respective high school

Staff Johnston, Commissioner Shelton, Commissioner Hong and Adult Commissioner Shelton met. There is a Public Service Announcement on YouTube and our goal is to have at least 1,000 views by the end of the "Don't Text and Drive" campaign. Staff Johnston is hoping that with the new Facebook page up, the word will spread further. It is also planned to have the video played in all English classes and have a pledge poster where students will pledge with their thumbs prints and be rewarded with prizes such as

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Slurpee's and ITunes's gift cards. It will be held one day at each of the high schools lunch period where a possible lunch truck would be available to encourage students to stay on campus and get information on "Don't Text and Drive".

8. Items from Staff

a. Review events calendar

New calendars were handed out. Recruitment of new YAC members begins in April and Commissioners were asked to help spread the word to their fellow students. April 30th is the last day that applications for YAC can be turned in and interviews will be held the second week of May.

b. Spring break calendars

The April YAC meeting is during spring break. The commission needs to contact Staff Johnston if they cannot attend.

c. Follow up on Annual Retreat

The Commissioners that did attend Annual Retreat shared their experience with the staff as well as their fellow Commissioners. They discussed that they started to script a small commercial, which would be played on our local channel 26, to promote YAC. They also reviewed the goals for the current year as well as next year's. Staff Johnston shared that it was a good event with lots of ideas and great bonding.

d. Review website

Staff Johnston informed the commissioners that their bios, photo and photo release form all need to be turned in.

9. Items from the Commission

Commissioners Gill, K Shah, and A Shah all had a lot of fun at the retreat and are excited about all that was completed.

Commission Mizuno liked Commissioner Hong's Book Club idea and feels it is a very important topic to teach and encourage to young children.

Commission Gill feels that YAC is starting to make a difference and that the next couple of months will be difficult but that they need to work together.

Commissioner Shibata- no report.

Commissioner McGuiness was sorry she didn't make the retreat and was excited for the work that was done.

Commissioner Muscat- no report.

Commissioner Hong, K Shah and Shelton were excited to be moving forward into the action stage and out of the planning stage.

Adult Commissioner Shelton was proud of the Commissioners and was very happy for the work that Staff Johnston has been doing.

10. Items from the Audience

None.

11. Adjournment to next Regular Meeting on April 11th, 2012

a. Motion to Adjourn: Shibatab. Second: A. Shah

c. Vote: Approved by majority vote

d. Time: 7:05 p.m.