YOUTH ADVISORY COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

September 12, 2012

- 1. CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Chair Gill at 6:05 p.m.
- 2. ROLL CALL:
 - a. Present: Fuller, Gill, Goulart, Hong, Khinda, McGuiness, Shibata
 - b. Absent: K. Shah
 - c. Adult Commissioners Present: Huffman
 - d. Staff Present: Laura Johnston, Recreation Coordinatore. Recorded by: Amanda Tavares, Recreation Leader III
- 3. ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE: The Youth Advisory Commission had two audience members. Param Garewal, a potential future YAC member and Brian Pekari. Mr. Pekari spoke about his plan is to gather different organizations around Tracy and unite them in one cause; Make a Difference Day. Mr. Pekari mentioned creating a symbolic tree demonstrating the different groups and organizations as its branches, and what they are doing to help make a difference. He is hosting a community meeting Monday, September 17 at the Tracy Transit Center for nonprofit organizations who would like to be involved.
- 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM REGULAR MEETING ON August 8, 2012

a. Motion to Approve: Goulartb. Second: Shibatac. Abstain: None

d. Vote: Approved by majority vote.

- CORRESPONDENCE: None
- 6. OLD BUSINESS:
 - a. Discuss the status of the DARE to Care Positive Alternative Day, Saturday, September 29, 2012 at the Sutter Tracy Health & Safety Fair.

Subcommittee members Gill, Fuller and Goulart discussed YAC's responsibilities at the DARE to Care event. They informed the commission of the location at the Grace Baptist Church parking lot and where the game and prize booths will be stationed. Staff Johnston explained that YAC will not only be responsible for running the booths, but also for set up and take down. Commissioner Gill informed YAC about how the tickets are given out and how the prize booth will work. She also stated that YAC members may be assigned to work at the garage sale for F.A.M.E. (Family Assistance for Medical Emergencies). Commissioner Fuller also added that the each commissioner will need to bring friends to help volunteer. Staff Johnston reiterated the importance of having other volunteers, aside from the commissioners, to help with the carnival games. Staff Johnston stated that YAC will need to be present at 8:00am to help set up the booths. A list of job duties will be emailed to the commissioners. Commissioners may be asked to wear the same color shirt. Staff Johnston also mentioned that this is YAC's first official sponsored event of the new school year. YAC needs to show that they follow through and support the community in order to get their name out to the public.

b. Discuss the status of YAC's participation at Make a Difference Day, Saturday, October 27, 2012 and provide updates to schools' participation

Staff Johnston repeated YAC's plan for Make a Difference Day is. She would also like a representative from YAC to attend the aforementioned meeting at the Tracy Transit Station to get the word out about YAC's Make a Difference Day project. Staff Johnston stated that more people are needed for the subcommittee to help make the project happen. She then asked the commissioners if any of the school representatives had been in contact with the school advisors. Commissioner Goulart (Millenium) explained that he has emailed his schools advisor and gave them Staff Johnston's contact information. He will try to contact them again. Commissioner Gill (West) has emailed her advisor but is still waiting to hear back from them. Commissioner Fuller (Tracy) has not contacted her school advisor yet. Commissioner McGuiness (Kimball) has also not been able to get in contact with her advisor. Staff Johnston expressed her disappointment that no commissioners have met with the advisor yet. She indicated that meeting with the advisor is a crucial step for marketing and having the involvement of the different schools in future YAC projects. Adult Commissioner Huffman volunteered to assist commissioners in communicating with their respective activity directors. Staff Johnston asked if the commissioners still envisioned the project going the same way as they had planned. All of the commissioners said yes. Staff Johnston stated that a lot of the schools already have recycle clubs. Adult Commissioner Huffman said that working with the recycle clubs would be very beneficial. Commissioner Gill expressed that the commissioners should also try to get in contact with the schools' youth clubs, because her club currently recycles at football games and would be helpful to help collect bottles and cans. Adult Commissioner Huffman offered to pick up the recyclables from the schools if the commissioners needed. Commissioner Shibata has also not been able in contact with her school advisor at Delta.

c. Review, discuss and approve the updated 2012/2013 Youth Advisory Commission's goals and work plan and assign commissioners to each task

Staff Johnston led the commission thru the 2012/2013 Youth Advisory Commission Goals and Work Plan to discuss the status of each goal and assign commissioners to the respective goals.

7. NEW BUSINESS: None

8. ITEMS FROM STAFF

Staff Johnston reviewed some upcoming volunteer opportunities for community service hours. Commissioner Fuller and Gill volunteered to help with the Girl Talk event.

9. ITEMS FROM THE COMMISSION:

Commissioner Goulart, Hong, McGuiness, and Khinda had no report.

Commissioner Shibata hopes that YAC is able to get all of their tasks done.

Commissioner Fuller is in charge of the Anti-bullying rally at Tracy High School on November 3rd. She would like to get representation from all of the schools.

Commissioner Gill is in charge of hosting a poster contest for Anti-bullying month. She would like YAC to spread the word to anyone who is interested in art and would like to participate in the poster contest. She also added that she is very proud of everyone and thinks that YAC has a good future.

10. ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE: None

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11. ADJOURNMENT: Next regular meeting on *October 10, 2012*a. Motion to Adjourn: Gill

b. Second: Shibata

c. Vote: Approved by majority vote

d. Time: 7:58 p.m.