

**YOUTH ADVISORY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
February 13, 2019**

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by Vice Chair Gadamsetti at 6:02 p.m.
2. **ROLL CALL:**
 - a. **Present:** Crowley, Gadamsetti, J. Kaur, Klassen, Moshiri, Smith, Winters
 - b. **Absent:** Collins, Dhillon, Gill, Adult Commissioner Huffman
 - c. **Tardy:** Y. Kaur, Siddiqui
 - d. **Adult Commissioners Present:** None
 - e. **Staff Present:** Amanda Jensen, Recreation Coordinator I
 - f. **Recorded by:** Celina Perez, Recreation Leader III
3. **ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE:** None
4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM Regular Meeting on January 9, 2019**
 - a. **Motion to Approve:** Klassen
 - b. **Second:** Smith
 - c. **Abstain:** None
 - d. **Vote:** Approved by majority vote
5. **OLD BUSINESS:**
 - a. **Review and Discuss the 2019 Youth Advisory Commission Goals and Work Plan**

Vice Chair Gadamsetti reviewed the 2019 Youth Advisory Commission Goals and Objectives. Commissioner Crowley provided an update on the new teen event or program objective and mentioned that although the drive-in movie is still an event they would like to host, it will take a lot of preparation. Commissioner Crowley stated that in the meantime, the subcommittee would like feedback on hosting a teen movie night in the plaza with food trucks and cohosting a DIY camp for teens in the summer. Staff Jensen also mentioned that a teen mentorship program was the other idea discussed and the Commission was working on it at the end of last year. Staff Jensen reiterated that the Commissioners signed up to attend the SAFE program at Williams Middle School and would offer homework help in addition to monthly discussions on topics such as bullying, kindness and social media safety. Staff Jensen passed a calendar of attendance dates for the Commissioners to volunteer to attend and the subcommittee will work on topics to cover each month. The Commissioners all agreed that the event, program and camp proposed would be great goals to achieve. A subcommittee meeting was scheduled for February 25th at 4:00pm. Commissioner Moshiri provided an update on the teen and senior programming objective and stated that one of the ideas discussed was a teen and senior computer class where the teens would assist the seniors on any computer related questions. Staff Jensen suggested that the summer may be the best opportunity to offer the class due to the Commissioners school schedules. Commissioner Gadamsetti suggested hosting a teen versus senior ping pong tournament. A subcommittee meeting was scheduled for February 21st at 4:30pm. Commissioner J. Kaur provided an update on the Rollin' Rec subcommittee and stated that some of the ideas included hosting four square or kick ball tournaments at one of the events, discussing volunteer opportunities or offering arts and craft projects. Commissioner Gadamsetti mentioned incorporate PE school teachers into the games. Parks & Recreation Director MacDonald asked the Commission to think of any hot topics that may be of interest to teens to try to bring in

participation. Staff Perez also stated that the subcommittee wanted to incorporate social media to help draw in participation. Parks & Recreation Director MacDonald supported the idea. Commissioner J. Kaur mentioned that teens would be more intrigued to follow the social media account if they saw themselves or people they know featured. A subcommittee meeting was scheduled for February 21st at 5:00pm. Commissioner J. Kaur provided an update on the Make a Difference Day subcommittee and stated that aside from partnering with the Public Works and other organizations, the subcommittee discussed adding an additional component such as mowing the lawn of seniors. Staff Jensen stated that the subcommittee also mentioned targeting a neighborhood and offering lawn mowing in that area. A subcommittee meeting was scheduled for March 4th at 3:30pm.

6. New Business:

a. Discuss Proposed Date to Host Park Clean up Events at the Dry Climate Park at Hoyt Park and Determine Marketing

Staff Jensen provided background on the park clean ups and the Dry Climate Park at Hoyt Park and asked for feedback on the proposed dates of the park clean-ups. Commissioner Gadamsetti recommended outreaching to school clubs through word of mouth, announcements and talking to the teachers. Commissioners Crowley recommended using an electronic flyer and sharing it with various organizations as well as sharing it on social media. Commissioner Y. Kaur stated that perhaps P.E. teachers would provide extra credit because it is physical exercise. By majority vote, YAC approved the dates to host the park clean up events. A subcommittee meeting was scheduled for February 21st at 4:00pm.

b. Discuss and Approve One New Community Service Project or Activity to Complete During National Volunteer Week

Commissioner Moshiri provided an update on the activity focusing on teen's trends and shared that some of the ideas brainstormed included; a common knowledge class on how to write checks or change tires, a booth at school lunches with job and volunteer opportunities for the summer, a climate change awareness booth and a booth focusing on the dangers of vaping. Commissioner J. Kaur added that using daily announcements to share the tips on climate change would be beneficial. Parks & Recreation Director MacDonald expressed that it was a great idea and suggested working with City staff that to help get the word out. Staff Jensen mentioned that she met with a group called the S.O.L. (Saving Our Legacy) that is focusing on vaping awareness on the San Joaquin County and partnership with the group would be beneficial. Commissioner Y. Kaur expressed that middle schools would be a good target group. Commissioner Winters stated that the common knowledge class would be great for upper classmen preparing to leave for college. Staff Jensen reiterated that once the dates are established, Commissioners at each high school would be required to be present at the vaping booth during their lunch period at their respective school. By majority vote, YAC approved spreading awareness on the dangers of vaping activity to host during National Volunteer Week. A subcommittee meeting was scheduled for March 4th at 4:00pm.

c. Discuss and Approve the Youth Advisory Commission's Participation with the Forever Young Prom Event at the Tracy Community Center on April 10, 2019

Staff Jensen provided background on the Forever Young Prom and discussed with the Commission about the importance of the event and their participation. Commissioner Winters clarified that this event was to include other high school students as well and

not just YAC. Commissioner Gadamsetti mentioned moving the event to a Friday. Commissioner Y. Kaur and Smith stated the teens would be less likely to attend an event such as this on a Friday. By majority vote, YAC approved cohosting the Forever Young Prom. A subcommittee meeting was scheduled for February 26th at 4:30pm.

7. ITEMS FROM STAFF:

a. Calendar

Commissioner J. Kaur provided an update on the YAC annual report to the City Council and explained that it was an interesting situation and she ended up giving the presentation alone due to some confusion. Staff Jensen expressed her gratitude for Commissioner J. Kaur for presenting on her own and for Commissioner Gadamsetti for coming to the Council meeting but leaving due to the confusion. Staff Jensen reminded the Commission of the Senior Shamrock Rock on March 1st and the next Intergenerational Program on March 4th. Staff Jensen announced the YAC Spring recruitment was now open and distributed applications to all of the Commissioners to pass out to anyone interested. Staff Jensen also reminded the Commissioners with nearing term expirations to reapply. Staff Jensen reviewed the Brown Act with the Commission to provide an understanding of the correct communication procedures to follow.

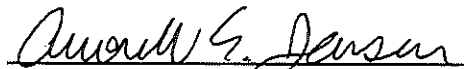
8. ITEMS FROM THE COMMISSION: None

9. ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE: None

10. ADJOURNMENT: Next meeting on *March 13, 2019, at 6:00pm*

- a. Motion to Adjourn:** Y. Kaur
- b. Second:** Gadamsetti
- c. Vote:** Approved by majority vote
- d. Time:** 7:26pm

The above agenda was posted at the Tracy City Hall on February 7, 2019. The above are summary and action minutes.


Amanda Jensen, Staff Liaison