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# Hayward Youth Commission

Monday, November 4, 2013

6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Hayward City Hall, Council Chambers- Room 1C

777 B Street Hayward, CA 94541

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## Hayward Youth Commissioners

**Daniel Aguilar**

Hayward High School

**Gerardo Barcenas**

Winton Middle School

**Sarahi Bautista**

Chabot College

**Diego Castro**

Mt. Eden High School

**Jocelyn Deng**

Hayward High School

**Amacalli Duran-Pereda**

Hayward High School

**Sophia Espinosa**

Moreau Catholic High School

**Isyanelly Gonzalez**

Tennyson High School

**Paul Guandique**

Tennyson High School

**Harmanpreet Kaur**

Mt. Eden High School

**Jahlan Loche**

Leadership Public High School

**Luis Loza**

Tennyson High School

**Laila Mufty**

Holy Names High School

**Nubia Pina**

Mt. Eden High School

**Sharfa Prasad**

Tennyson High School

**Andrew Romero**

St. Bede School

**Laura Romero**

Leadership Public High School

**Omkar Salpekar**

Moreau Catholic High School

**Marcus Smith**

California State University of the

East Bay

**Christian Vernikoff**

Moreau Catholic High School

**Danielle West**

Bishop O'Dowd High School

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| <b>1. Call to Order</b>  | <b>6:30 p.m.</b> |
| <b>2. Pledge of Allegiance</b>   | <b>6:32 p.m.</b> |
| <b>3. Roll Call</b>  | <b>6:35 p.m.</b> |
| <b>4. Approval of Minutes from<br/>October 21, 2013 Meeting</b>            | <b>6:40 p.m.</b> |
| <b>5. Public Comments</b>  | <b>6:45 p.m.</b> |
| <b>6. Guest Speakers</b>   | <b>6:50 p.m.</b> |
| 1. Yelitza Pena – HUSD-Student Activity Survey/21 <sup>st</sup> CCLC Grant |                  |
| 2. Jonathan Bradley – Community Works Program                              |                  |
| <b>7. Task Force Updates</b>   | <b>7:00 p.m.</b> |
| a. Keep Hayward Clean & Green  |                  |
| b. Hayward Coalition for Healthy Youth                                     |                  |
| <b>8. Planning</b>   | <b>7:10 p.m.</b> |
| a. Projects for the Year   |                  |
| <b>9. Announcements</b>  | <b>7:45 p.m.</b> |
| <b>10. Cookie Detail</b>   | <b>7:50 p.m.</b> |
| <b>11. Next Meeting –November 18, 2013 in room 1C</b>                      | <b>7:55 p.m.</b> |
| <b>12. Adjournment</b>   | <b>8:00 p.m.</b> |
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1. Call to Order at 6:39PM.
2. Pledge of Allegiance led by Commissioner Andrew Romero.
3. Roll call led by Commissioner Kaur.

Commissioners: Present: Aguilar, Castro, Deng, Duan-Pereda, Espinosa, Gonzalez, Guandique, Kaur, Loche, Mufty, Prasad, Andrew Romero, Laura Romero, Salpekar, Smith, Vernikoff, and West.

Absent: Commissioners Bautista (excused), Barcenas, and Pina.

Advisors: Present: Sally Espinosa, HUSD; Clio Hathaway, COH

Absent: Mike Maine, HARD

City Council Liason: Present (for part of the time): Council member Francisco Zermeño

4. Approval of Old Minutes: Commissioner Kaur moved the approval of the October 7 minutes. Commissioner Loche seconded the motion; passed with a unanimous vote.
5. Public Comments: None
6. Guest Speakers:
  - a. Elliot Calderon/Ashmead Swing – The Opportunity and Freedom Project: Mr. Calderon talked about his project, The Opportunity and Freedom Project, which is trying to increase student success in Chabot College and the community. It started in the summer of 2013 and aimed to present community issues in an interactive way to Chabot students. It tries to raise student awareness and reach out to organizations to bridge the gap between education and community. It focuses on seven different areas and tries to help students in these areas by engaging them rather than just teaching them. Ashmead Swing talked about his experiences in high school and how the Opportunity and Freedom Project has put him on the path to success.
  - b. Elizabeth Rojo – EdTrip Project: The Rojo Fund started with providing scholarships to students who did not qualify so they can still get an education. One focus is STEM workshops, where it teaches high school students multimedia, animation, coding, and other technology-related skills. The purpose is the professional use of this media. The EdTrip project will have these high school students teach these skills to students in the Dominican Republic this summer. It is a free program if participants help organize fundraisers throughout the year. Ms. Rojo would like us to spread word in the community about her work regarding this project.
7. Task Force Updates
  - a. Commissioner Gerardo Barcenas, HYC liaison to Keep Hayward Clean and Green, was absent for this meeting.

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- b. Commissioner Aguilar, HYC liaison to Hayward Coalition for Healthy Youth, gave us an update on his meetings. Meetings have become a bit inconsistent due to a recent leadership change, and at the moment, too much progress has not been made.

8. Planning

- a. Projects for the Year: The Commission was split up into the original groups to plan the three big upcoming projects for this year. The projects are tutoring, Youth Summit, and the Youth Resource Book. After discussion and planning, the commission came back to share ideas and plans.
  - i. Tutoring: The Commissioners passed around a paper with the available time slots for tutoring (first and third Wednesday or second and fourth Wednesday) every month. The schedule will be 4PM-5PM, homework and academic help and 5PM-6PM activities and more hands-on fun. This second part will include games and ice breakers. The program is set to start on November 13 and will take place at Burbank, Palma Ceia, and Glassbrook Elementary Schools.
  - ii. Youth Resource Book: The book will be a color-coordinated guide aimed at students in grades 8-12. It will contain ten chapters: College Prep, Volunteering, Jobs/Internships, Sports/Extracurriculars, Health/Social Assistance, Transportation, Financial Assistance, Recreation, Academics, and (possible) Advertisements. Some ideas included SAT/ACT Prep locations, school financial aid, volunteering information, outreach programs, sports leagues, summer camps, college apps workshops, activities, jobs, internships, and college requirements. It will have the name of the resource, a short description, and contact information. It is being considered whether this information be presented in Spanish as well. We are looking into advertisements to cover the high cost of printing numerous books in color, and we can reach out to small local businesses. We can charge a fee for placing ads in the book, and the fee will be decided once we can estimate the cost of producing these books.
  - iii. Youth Summit: The Commission prefers March 1 for the date of the Youth Summit because everybody is required and that particular date works better than March 8. Ads and promotional videos are being considered as ways of reaching out to youth to come and attend the summit. Donations from small businesses are also being considered. The plan is to have workshops where speakers can come and talk to students. Arrangements for food are being considered, and numerous local restaurants seem to be of interest. An iPad mini raffle will also take place. The schedule is being considered, but 9AM-2PM seems the most popular amongst commissioners. The exact time will be decided next meeting as well.

9. Announcements

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- a. Commissioner Castro encouraged the commissioners to look into starting E4FC branches at their respective schools. The purpose of the organization is to reach out to and help undocumented students.
  - b. The next Keep Hayward Clean and Green Task Force Meetings are October 26 at Palma Ceia and November 23 at Tennyson High School.
10. Cookie Detail: Commissioner Castro volunteered to bring pumpkin pie at the upcoming cookie detail.
11. Next Meeting: November 4, 2013 in Hayward City Hall Room 2A starting 6:30PM.
12. Adjournment: Meeting adjourns at 8:09PM.