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# Hayward Youth Commission

Monday, April 7, 2014

6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Hayward City Hall, Conference Room- Room 2A

777 B Street Hayward, CA 94541

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## Hayward Youth Commissioners

**Daniel Aguilar**

Hayward High School

**Gerardo Barcenas**

Newark Junior High

**Sarahi Bautista**

Chabot College

**Elmer Beltran**

Chabot College

**Diego Castro**

Mt. Eden High School

**Lilybeth Domingo**

Tennyson High School

**Sophia Espinosa**

Moreau Catholic High School

**Joanna Gil**

Hayward 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 Mufly**

Holy Names 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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| 1. Call to Order                                      | 6:30 p.m. |
| 2. Pledge of Allegiance                               | 6:31 p.m. |
| 3. Roll Call  | 6:33 p.m. |
| 4. Approval of Minutes from<br>March 17, 2014 Meeting | 6:40 p.m. |
| 5. Public Comments                                    | 6:45 p.m. |
| 6. Made In Hayward-Student Survey                     | 6:50 p.m. |
| 7. Task Force Updates                                 | 7:10 p.m. |
| a. Keep Hayward Clean & Green-Gerardo Barcenas        |           |
| b. Hayward Coalition for Healthy Youth-Daniel Aguilar |           |
| 8. Educational Summit May 17, 2014                    | 7:12 p.m. |
| 9. HYC-Recruitment of New Applicants-Video            | 7:15 p.m. |
| 10. Planning  | 7:20 p.m. |
| a. Projects for the Year                              |           |
| 11. Announcements                                     | 7:45 p.m. |
| 12. Cookie Detail                                     | 7:50 p.m. |
| 13. Next Meeting –April 21, 2014 in Room 2A           | 7:55 p.m. |
| 14. Adjournment                                       | 8:00 p.m. |

Happy Birthday March – Laila Mufly

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**\*\*NOTE:** Meeting of 3/03/14 was not convened due to lack of quorum.

1. Call to Order at 6:36PM by Chair Commissioner Castro.
2. Pledge of allegiance.
3. Roll call led by Vice Chair Commissioner Loche.

Commissioners: Present: Commissioners Aguilar, Barcenas, Bautista, Castro, Espinosa, Gil, Gonzalez, Loche, Loza, Mufty, Prasad, Andrew Romero, and Smith.

Absent: Commissioner Beltran, Domingo, Kaur, Laura Romero, Vernikoff, and West.

Late: Commissioners Guandique and Salpekar.

Advisors: Present: Sally Espinosa, HUSD; Clio Hathaway, COH, Tera Maroney (in presentation of Mike Maine), HARD.

City Council Liaison: Present: Council member Francisco Zermeño.

4. Approval of Old Minutes: Commissioner Gil moved the approval of the January 6<sup>th</sup> minutes with the correction of Commissioner Gil's first name in the meeting's agenda. Commissioner Andrew Romero seconded the motion and it was passed with unanimous favor.
5. Public Comments: Chuck Horner from the KHCG Task Force visited the commission with the purpose of receiving input on the idea of having a competition in neighborhood-cleaning among the three main local high schools, Mt. Eden High, Hayward High, and Tennyson High. Commissioners supported with possible ideas of recognitions for the winners and how can the community join in the event to support their nearby school.
6. Guest Speakers:
  - a. Hayward Coalition for Healthy Youth-Traci Cross: In company with one of her participant students and Youth Program Assistant, Karishma , Ms. Cross visited the commission with the purpose of promoting the recruitment of teen dequots for their anti-tobacco investigation project. This project is composed of working with different law enforcements in the county to find stores who illegally sell tobacco to minors. They are mainly looking for students within the age range of 15-17 and such participation is counted as community service hours. As well, Ms. Cross mentioned that she is looking for a youth commissioner to join the coalition as a representative, since she has lost contact for the past couple of months. Commissioner Aguilar was previously assigned as the designated representative and will shortly follow-up with Ms. Cross.
  - b. Hayward Public Library-Sally Thomas: In representation of the library, Ms. Thomas presented to the commission the upcoming major event that the library will be part of, World Book Night. This is a national campaign held on April 23<sup>rd</sup> which aims to distribute books to light or non-readers in communities. She presented a PowerPoint presentation regarding the various different activities that the city hosts to ignite and extend its

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promotion and participation. Ms. Thomas is seeking volunteers to distribute these books in high schools and other designated places. For more information, she distributed among the commissioners a pamphlet with all the details of the event.

7. Task Force Updates:
  - a. Keep Hayward Clean & Green: Commissioner Barcenas announced that he received confirmation regarding the city wide clean-up event that will be held on May 17. Due to other compromises, commissioners agreed to participate on the April 26 clean-up event held on the Jackson Triangle. Twelve (12) commissioners in total agreed to be present. The next upcoming clean-up event will be on March 22 in the upper B St. neighborhood.
  - b. Hayward Coalition for Healthy Youth: Commissioner Aguilar will get in touch with Ms. Traci Cross regarding the recent events and will report back to the commission on the next meeting.
8. Made in Hayward-Student Survey: Presented by Adviser Espinosa, these surveys were originally introduced at the Youth Summit. These carry the purpose for a better guidance of the budget financing for the education system in Hayward. The commissioners received a packet of surveys in order to have them filled by their classmates and peers. These must be turned in on the next meeting. As well, it was announced that on May 17 the HUSD Education Summit will be held and on that event these surveys will be discussed. Nine (9) commissioners committed to attend. Adviser Espinosa will notify the commissioners within the next days the exact location of the event.
9. HYC-Recruitment of New Applicants-Video: It was announced to the commissioners that the city has asked for the participation of a couple of them, especially the chair person, in the creation of a recruiting video. As well, commissioners received a packet of recruitment applications that they must share with their peers and classmates.
10. Planning: The commissioners took this time to meet in their assigned committees to continue with the process of planning or reviewing on their prospected projects. After a while, they all gathered up once again and reported their progress.
  - a. Projects for the Year: In regards of the Youth Summit, with the guidance of Council member Francisco Zermeño and Clio Hathaway, there was a review regarding the positive outcomes and points of improvement that where experienced and learned through the summit. Some of these points were: there was a higher outcome of invitations and participation from the public, a more diverse participation from local agencies and organizations, the organization within the rotation and timing of the workshops were on point, yet it was found necessary that the commission, as a whole, should take part of the planning and not just a committee, especially when it comes to committing themselves to participate for the whole entire event.

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Regarding the Tutoring Project, with the guidance of Adviser Espinosa, it was announced and reminded that the tutoring participations will continue on session such as the coordinators of the sites had previously planned and designated for them.

Last but not least, the committee in charge of the Volunteer Informative Book, with the guidance of Tera Maroney due to adviser's Maine absence, informed that they will continue with the creation of the volunteer resource e-book, instead of the hardcopy, due to the limited timeframe of work.

11. Announcements:

- a. Commissioner Gil announced that the Hayward High Puente Program will host a special event, Baile Noche Tropical, on May 16, starting at 7:00pm until 10:00pm. Pre-sale tickets are at \$15, and will be found for \$20 at the door. Funds will go to the school's Puente Project. As well, the school will host a Walkathon on April 12 for undocumented students, from 10:00am until 2:00pm.
- b. Tera Maroney, the representative from HARD, announced that they are now opening new employment opportunities for the summer. Promotions of the openings were given to the commissioners but for more information regarding them, they can be found at [www.haywardrec.org](http://www.haywardrec.org) under the employment section or by calling at 510-888-0211.
- c. Adviser Hathaway announced that the Weeke's Library will host a Prom Dress Swap on Saturday March 22, starting at noon until 2:00pm. Donations are gladly accepted, whether they are dresses, accessories, and even shoes. This program is free and open to all local teens. For more information please reach Adviser Hathaway at 510-881-7948.
- d. Commissioner Omkar reminded and invited the commissioner to his event, Global Youth Service Day granted by Disney Friends for Change. The event will be on April 11, starting at 4:00pm until 6:00pm at the Weeke's Community Center. This event will be open for Middle and Elementary Students. Volunteers are needed and welcomed to participate.

12. Cookie Detail: Commissioner Loche volunteered to bring cookies to the next meeting.

13. Next Meeting—April 7, 2014 in room 2A.

14. Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 8:00PM.