

Hayward Youth Commission

Monday, November 2, 2015

6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Hayward City Hall, 2A

777 B Street, Hayward CA 94544

1. **Group Photo: Meet @Rotunda, City Hall** 6:00 p.m.
2. **Call to Order** 6:30 p.m.
3. **Pledge of Allegiance** 6:35 p.m.
4. **Roll Call** 6:40 p.m.
5. **Approval of minutes from 10/19/15** 6:45pm
6. **Public Comments** 6:55 p.m.
7. **Guest Speaker** 7:00 p.m.
- Thania Balcorta from Hayward Coalition for Heathy Youth
8. **Task Force Updates** 7:15 p.m.
Hayward Clean and Green Task Force-11/9 @ 7:00 pm, at City Hall, 2A
Hayward Coalition for Healthy Youth-next meeting 11/19 @ 4pm
9. **Hayward City Council Reports** 7:20 p.m.
10. **Update to trip to Capitol** 7:25 p.m.
11. **HYC's Adopt a Street clean-up, organize a date/time** 7:30 p.m.
12. **Complete Scholarship Question and promotion plan** 7:35 p.m.
13. **Planning** 7:40 p.m.
a. Project Breakout Groups: finalize projects/presentation/surveys.
14. **Announcements/Agenda Items** 7:55 p.m.
15. **Cookie Detail**
16. **Next meeting: November 16, 2015**
17. **Adjournment** 8:00 p.m.



Hayward Youth Commissioners

Karen Andrade
Tennyson High School

Raveena Atwal
Moreau Catholic High School

Gerardo Barcenas
Leadership Public School

Lilybeth Domingo
Tennyson High School

Sophia Espinosa
Moreau Catholic High School

Carolyn Eusebio
Mt. Eden High School

Kiarra Evans
Mt. Eden High School

Isyanelly Gonzalez
Tennyson High School

Leslee Gonzalez
Tennyson High School

Andrew Herrera
Leadership Public High School

Jose Lara Cruz
UC Berkeley

Luis Loza
Tennyson High School

Andrea Martinez
Mt. Eden High School

Elaxis Mendoza
Mt. Eden High School

Claudine Narayan
Leadership Public High School

Bobbie Reyes-Kaguay
Hayward High School

Omkar 7:20 p.m.
Moreau Catholic High School

Joshua Tran
Leadership Public High School

Vicky Tran
Leadership Public High School

Danielle West
Bishop O'Dowd High School

Krystina Williamson
Leadership Public High School

Alternates:
Luis Diaz
Hayward High School

Cristian Hernandez-Perez
Bret Harte Middle School

Carla Lanuza
Hayward High School

Samara Sanders
Mt. Eden High School

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1. **Call to order:** Commissioner Sophia calls the order to meeting at 6:30 PM.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance:** Commissioner Domingo leads the commission in the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **Roll Call:** Commissioner Karen leads roll call.
Present: Karen Andrade, Raveena Atwal, Gerardo Barcenas, Lilybeth Domingo, Sophia Espinosa, Carolyn Eusebio, Kiarra Evans, Isyanelly Gonzalez, Leslee Gonzalez, Andrew herrera, Jose Lara Cruz, Luis Loza, Andrea Martinez, Elexis Mendoza, Claudine Narayan, Bobbie Reyes Kaguay, Joshua Tran, Vicky Tran, Danielle West, Krystina Williamson, Luis Diaz, Christian Hernandez-Perez, Carla Lanuza, Samara Sanders
Absent: Omkar Salpekar, Elexis Mendoza
4. **Approval of minutes** from October 5, 2015: Commissioner Luis notes to correct the misspelling of Commissioner Sophia's name. Commissioner Lara Cruz moves to approve the motion, Commissioner Lilybeth seconds the motion. Unanimous approval of minutes.
5. **Public Comments:** N/A
6. **HYC Trip to Capitol Update:** Advisor Annie informs us that Advisor Clio is in charge of arranging the details of the trip. Clio will be informing HYC of the trip details soon.
7. **Guest Speaker,** Benita Hopkins, Love Never Fails: Love Never Fails is an East Bay organization that fights sex trafficking. Hopkins is the director of the program and she leads local sex-trafficking awareness seminars for middle and high schools. Hopkins explains more about the history of the foundation. The organization recruits volunteers to mentor victims of sex trafficking. The volunteers mentor people of all background and Hopkins later shares some sobering facts regarding trafficking. All eleven programs included in this organization are centralized on education. The organization also provides rehabilitation services for women and children transitioning into normal civilian life after experiencing life in the sex trade. This program provides a transition from sex trafficking to a standard life.
The group established a youth commission entitled "YCAT". The meetings usually take place the first Saturday of each month from 1:00-3:00 pm, however meeting locations and times vary. The upcoming meeting will have a slightly different schedule, and Hopkins suggested that commissioners contact Sophia regarding the date and time. Additionally, Hopkins passed around business cards for inquiries. Commissioners inquired about how their respective school's can get involved with the organization. Hopkins suggested that schools can choose a grade and collect some information to disclose more knowledge about their abuse in order for the organization to provide counseling catered towards their particular situations. Class workshops consist of a brief information session; collaboration with the respective school's counseling department, and an assessment culminating the program. The assessment provides tangible steps of action for addressing the problems of the students' and resolving these issues effectively. There are also follow up meetings after the initial workshop.

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8. Task force Updates:

- a. *Hayward Clean and Green Task Force*-Commissioner Gerardo informs the commissioners that there will be a clean-up this Saturday near Mt. Eden High School from 8:30-12:00. Advisor Ebadi suggests that we should add the topic of HYC's Adopt a Street clean-up, organizing a date/time.
- b. *Hayward Coalition for Healthy Youth*-Commissioner Karen notices that there is not a consistent HYC representative at the meetings, and she offers to be the liaison. Commissioner Isyanelly motions to approve Karen as the liaison. Commissioner Gerardo seconds the motion. Unanimous approval.

9. **Hayward City Council Report:** Councilman Zermeno announces that Día de Los Muertos is approaching, and he offers instruction for setting up the decorations. Additionally, Zermeno announces that Hayward is in the news because the city is one of three nationwide recipients of the Green Award.

10. **Finalize scholarship Question and Due date:** Commissioner Bobbie hands out the scholarship committee's latest version of the application. She asks for feedback on the application, and most people agree that a Google Form would be more of an effective option than paper application. Commissioner Sophia suggests adding a small introduction for the application regarding the Hayward Youth Commission. The group also discusses the GPA requirement, and the commission decides to table that topic for later discussion. The group wants to clearly state the criteria needed to apply. Commissioner Karen adds that HYC should ensure accessibility of the scholarship for undocumented students/students with a language barrier and she urges the group to inform disadvantaged students of this scholarship. Adviser Pena suggesting enlisting some of our bilingual commissioners to assist non-native English students with the application. Commissioner Sophia suggests assigning a liaison for each to school to make sure that the scholarship is effectively promoted to all students. Commissioner Isyanelly adds that her relative and herself will be able to substantially contribute to the assistance of non-native English speakers. The group decides to adopt a holistic approach towards evaluating applications, taking into consideration grades, experiences, etc.

11. Planning:

- a. *Community Service Group*-In the process of writing petitions, working on surveys, target number: 500 students with completed surveys. **Target outreach:** public school students. The group is planning on attending various community events to garner more support for their cause.
- b. *The Quick Taskers/ Green Group*- the AC Transit presentation for the presentation of their ideas will be on November 11. Quick Taskers are looking for representatives from the Hayward High Schools to promote their projects and petitions. The group is planning on collecting email information from all Hayward students to send out news of their upcoming projects. Commissioner Karen states that her club at Tennyson High School

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would be more than willing to assist the group in their project. The petition should be open by the end of this week.

- c. *Scholarship Committee-*
 - i. Marketing techniques/locations: flyers, email, school bulletin boards, college/career centers on high school campuses. Commissioner Carolyn suggests that morning announcements will be an effective form of communication.
 - ii. Group is willing to translate application from Spanish to English. Spanish grammar will be considered on the applications.
 - iii. November 1 will be the date the application will open
 - iv. The group is also working on a formal application introduction
- d. *Human Sex Trafficking Group-*Attempting to get Love Never Fails to present to Hayward schools.
 - i. Discussed 3k/5k awareness marathon planning
 - ii. Next steps: get in contact with human rights teachers/counselors/principals to coordinate Love Never Fails presentations at schools
 - iii. Adviser Pena suggests that the group should formulate some talking points prior to communicating with school administrators.
- e. *Youth Survey Group-*
 - i. The group is organizing a survey focused on collecting data on youth activity and resources in the city of Hayward to improve the entertainment in Hayward
 - ii. Group planning on creating a Spanish version of the application
 - iii. By January, the group will have the survey sent out to the middle/high schools.

12. Announcements-

- a. Advisor Annie hands out the November/December library calendars. She enthusiastically announces the upcoming Potterfest event and the teen book club starting in January. The upcoming teen advisory group meeting is November 10, and the group meets the second Tuesday of every month.
- b. Advisor Sophia extends the invitation to the general HYC members to attend the liaison meetings either at the Hayward Coalition for Healthy Youth or the Hayward Clean and Green Task Force.
- c. Commissioner Lara Cruz announces that J.C. Penny will be hiring 40-60 people for the holiday season. He advises commissioners to contact him regarding the information about the job application.
- d. Advisor Claudine announced that her friend will be hosting an event at Valley Christian in San Jose. For further information, contact Claudine.

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- e. Advisor Ebadi shares information about some upcoming HARD activities. He will be sending out an email for additional information; however he invites the commissioners to contact him for more information.
13. **Cookie Details:** No volunteers for cookie detail.