



CITY OF HAYWARD

Hayward Youth Commission Official Minutes

4/14/25, 6:30 PM

MEETING

A regular meeting of the Hayward Youth Commission was called to order at 6:30pm by Temiloluwa Ogunkanmi, Chair of the HYC.

CALL TO ORDER Pledge of Allegiance

Commissioner Barrera led the Pledge of Allegiance at 6:31pm.

6:35 ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Elisabet B., Josue B., Alexa C., Jeffrey H., Ruby K., Zoe K., Israel M., Temiloluwa O., Julia P., Shreya R., Jesus R., Alicia S., Leilani S., Nishant S., Michelle V., Jeremiah W., Florencio B., Arianna C., Eliam G., Peter G., Remy M., Isla S.,

ABSENT: Leila A., Mateo B., Crystal G., Jacob J., Ananya S., Jesus D., Liam F., Khamari L., Siddhi S., Guadalupe Z.

6:40 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Barrera made the motion to approve the minutes from 3/10/2025, and the motion was seconded by Commissioner Wong: Approve: 22, Disapprove: 0, Abstain: 0.

6:45 PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments.

6:50 GUEST SPEAKERS

Jacqueline Jelinic from BASTA reminded us of the power of our voices. Regarding this, she wanted to share BASTA, an opportunity for youth to inspire change at the local and state level. She then gave a brief summary on past acts of activism (Civil Rights Sit-ins, Vietnam War, Ceasefire in Gaza), showing how all these activist movements were led by students (us!)? She then shared a more recent event, where a student at Columbia University was wrongfully deported. Students don't have to feel small and can take action. Under her nonprofit, BASTA (Bay Area Student Activists), students/youth can choose what campaigns they want to support. Currently, there are no BASTA chapters in Hayward, so if you would like to spark change, this may be an opportunity to start. In the past, Jacqueline's chapter in Oakland has partnered up with other nonprofits to encourage people to go vote.

7:10 AGENCY AND TASK FORCE UPDATES

City of Hayward: Mayor Salinas requested for commissioners to support the Rowell Ranch Rodeo on May 16, 17, & 18 (Friday, Saturday, and Sunday). Commissioners interested in volunteering were: Israel, Arianna, Michelle, Zoe, Peter, Leilani, Josue, Temiloluwa, Florencio, Shreya, Elisabet, Nishant, Rey, and Eliam. If you plan on coming, you should wear boots. It will be lots of fun!



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HUSD: No updates

HARD: Advisor Tibbetts shared that there will be an Earth Day Clean Up & Tree Planting at Weekes Park on Saturday, April 26 and volunteers are needed. Those interested in participating can scan a qr code to sign up. Additionally, this Saturday, April 19, the 80th annual Egg Hunt & Bonnet Parade will happen! Chazz is still looking for volunteers so please reach out if you are interested in helping.

7:20 SACRAMENTO FIELD TRIP DISCUSSION

Commissioners shared highlights from the Sacramento Field Trip. An idea was to make the trip later in the year so that there would still be sunlight as commissioners returned from Sacramento. Advisory Larry shared a video of clips from the Field Trip.

7:46 PLANNING PROJECTS

HUSD: This group has plans to talk to those in leadership at HUSD schools to see what they can do to support student's needs. They will also collect student input through surveys. They also talked about creating incentives to push more students to come to school (and through this, more funding).

City of Hayward: This group will host 2 workshops on April 27th and May 5th from 5:30-7:00PM at the Downtown Library (2nd Floor Fremont Bank Room). The workshops will be on Cannabis, Alcohol, and Tobacco Awareness and prevention. Commissioner Isla made the motion to allocate \$300 to buy snacks for these events, and the motion was seconded by Commissioner Alex: Approve: 22, Disapprove: 0, Abstain: 0.

HARD: This group is organizing an teen markers market and resource fair. Their main focus right now is finding an event location, vendors, and resources to have at the event.

7:55 ANNOUNCEMENTS/AGENDA DETAILS

Make sure to get reappointment letters in! The commissioners discussed ideas for the HYC end of year party: Roller skating, Arcade, Sulphur Creek, Picnic/Barbeque, Bowling, Mini golf. Advisor Jen mentioned that it would be better to do in activity in Hayward in order to support a Hayward business. Commissioners interested to help organize the end of year party: Arianna, Michelle, Zoe, Leilani, Temi, Jesus, Isla, Eliam

Next Meeting: Monday, May 12, 2025 at 6:30pm.

7:57 COOKIE DETAILS

Commissioners Temiloluwa, Eliam, and Leilani have volunteered for the 5/12wdw/25 HYC Meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Temiloluwa Ogunkanmi adjourned the HYC at 7:59pm.



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APPROVED:

Jermiah Wong, Hayward Youth Commission Secretary
Hayward Area Recreation & Park District

ATTEST:

Ivan Padilla, Hayward Youth Commission Advisor
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