



CITY OF HAYWARD

Hayward Youth Commission Official Minutes

11/14/22 DATE, 6:30 p.m.

MEETING

A regular meeting of the Hayward Youth Commission was called to order at 6:32 pm by Commissioner Alessandra Eiras.

CALL TO ORDER Pledge of Allegiance

Commissioner Sharana Sabesan led the Pledge of Allegiance at 6:33pm.

6:34 ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Sophia S., Diego F., Alessandra, Rachel M., Harnoor, Crystal, Zoe, Samiksha, Arianna, Isabelle, James, Shreya K., Penelope, Sharana, Giselle, Athena C., Ananya, Alicia C., Ronak, Vanna, Savannah

ABSENT: Hulissa, Josue S., Taylor Y., Damian A., Phylis A., Isa, Liliana, Pooja, Anna, Michael

6:36 UPDATES FROM LAST MEETING

Congratulations to the elected HYC Officers:

Chair - Anna Tran

Vice-Chair - Alessandra Eiras

Chair Pro Tem - Arianna Mendoza

Secretary - Savannah Wong

Deputy Secretary - Athena Herrera

Public Information Officer - Harnoor Gill

6:39 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Sophia S. made the motion to approve the minutes from 9/12/2022, and the motion was seconded by Commissioner James Mira: Approve: 16, Disapprove: 0, Abstain: 1.

Commissioner Samiksha Ligan made the motion to approve the minutes from 10/3/2022, and the motion was seconded by Commissioner Diego F.: Approve: 16, Disapprove: 0, Abstain: 1.

6:39 PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments.

6:40 GUEST SPEAKERS

Jayanti Addleman Hayward Public Library

A progress report needs assessment and Hayward library would like to get additional feedback. Doing a community survey and the Library wants to share the link with you. It is available as an online survey and paper survey called the survey of services that is provided by the Weekes Library. Survey



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asks about what the community uses the Library for and what are the dreams and aspirations for Weekes Library.

There are stakeholder interviews that are in the process of being conducted. Stake holder are consisted of people who have an influence on the wider community. There are 8 stake holder currently. The interviews should be done by the end of the year. Interviewed 8 ppl in the community and with this they want to create focus groups. There are focus groups for library staff, and there are 2 focus groups this coming Saturday. Focus groups are conducted in English and one in Spanish. There is a need for youth to join the youth focus group. The library wants to focus on reaching out to teens of Hayward, CSU East Bay, and Chabot College. Previous attempts for outreach to youth have not been successful.

The library has been making a commitment to bring art to Hayward and to work with the arts council. After meeting with focus groups, some emerging themes include more focus on the library and the community. There is an appreciation for how diverse, and culturally rich Hayward is, economically and socially. People are active and not shy to share opinions. Hayward boasts that it is the largest provider of literacy and homework services in the state. Library leadership is very proud of and positive about these accomplishments.

The survey is conducted in English, Mandarin, Farsi, and Spanish. Has been launched on November 1, 2022. Library wants to get feedback from the community. Closes November 30, 2022. Previous teens and youth focus groups that have been hosted has not had anyone show up, but Library wants to continue to work hard to reach out to the youth. There is a steering community to guide the direction in which the project will go. Then after collecting the wider census, the plans will be submitted to the city. Analysis of the survey and architectural assessment will be conducted that will feed into what changes can be made in the Library to respond to the requests of the community.

The survey is very quick and simple to complete, taking a total of about 5 to 8 minutes. The rest of the time was spent discussing suggestions from HYC commissioners. Please share the survey with friends and social media!

7:17 UPDATES

Keep Hayward Clean and Green which is focused on beautification and community service at Hayward. Would like more HYC to join in more meetings. The next meeting is via Zoom on 11/17/2022 at 7 pm. Commissioner Samiksha, Sharana, and Athena are interested in joining these meetings in the future.

7:19 HAYWARD CITY COUNCIL, HARD, HUSD & LIBRARY REPORTS

Hayward City Council: State of California gave a 46 million dollar grant to build affordable housing at the corner of A and 2nd street. Efforts for the city to aid in housing for individuals who aren't able to afford market-rate rent. Friday, Dec 9, 2022, at 6 pm at the Rotunda of City Hall which is the annual Holiday Appreciation Event. A lot of amazing food and opportunities to network.

Library: Make winter break craft kits for elementary students. Creating youtube videos for these activities as well.



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HARD: Recently hired a coordinator that specializes in events. Want HYC to be involved in approving events and advertising those events. Hired art supervisor to work at the Hayward Senior Center. Hayward Idol and Talent shows. Working with Alameda county to bring a job fair in January. Couple of holiday events coming up. Adopt-a-family events. Ashland chair land holiday event that gives out 200+ presents. Breakdancing event held at a community center that is paired with a toy drive. Free Zumba classes that are occurring starting on November 22 and going through into the holidays on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5:30 - 7 pm.

7:31 HYC CONFERENCE DISCUSSION

In-person at Hayward Downtown Library, April 22, 2022, from 10:00 am to 1:30 pm. Discussion on what workshops would like to be seen and any additional activities to be held.

On a Jamboard, brainstormed ideas that HYC would like to see at the conference.

Commissioner Harnoor Gill is in charge of creating the marketing plan for the conference and save-the-date flyers along with a team of commissioners including Commissioner Samiksha, Sophia S, Shreya K., and James Mira.

7:50 APPROVAL OF CONFERENCE DATE

Commissioner Diego F. made the motion to approve the date of the HYC conference was seconded by Commissioner Vanna Van: Approve: 12, Disapprove: 0, Abstain: 1.

7:49 ANNOUNCEMENTS

Community Service Opportunities: HARD Mt. Eden Clean up! Help to beautify the park and opportunity to work alongside community members. Saturday, December 3, 2022, 9 am - 12 pm.

Holiday Gathering for more HYC

Next meeting: December 12, 2022, 6:30 PM

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Alessandra adjourned the meeting at 8:01 pm.

APPROVED:

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Savonnah Wong, Commissioner
Hayward Youth Commission

ATTEST:

Ivan Padilla

Ivan Padilla, Hayward Youth Commission Advisor
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