



CITY OF HAYWARD

Hayward Youth Commission Official Minutes

1.03.22, 6:30 p.m.

MEETING

A regular meeting of the Hayward Youth Commission was called to order at 6:39 by Commissioner Anna.

CALL TO ORDER Pledge of Allegiance

Commissioner Shruthy led the Pledge of Allegiance at 6:39.

6:41 ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Ivan, Diego F, Kalil K, Alessandra, Athena C, Samiksha, James, Pooja, Jenna J. Dulce, Sharana, Sruthy, Ananya, Anna, Vanna, Savonnah, Isabelle A, Alicia C, Harnoor, Gabriel K, Angelina R Phylis A, Savonnah

ABSENT:, Rachel M, Joshua, Lizbeth, Arianna, Myldret, Gabriel A, Sophia S,

6:56 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Harnoor made the motion to approve the minutes and the motion was seconded by Commissioner Angelina: Approve: 11, Disapprove: 0, Abstain: 0.

6:41 PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments.

6:41 GUEST SPEAKERS

Alyse Lui, Volunteer Coordinator at Hayward Animal Services. Animal Center is the city of Hayward's open admission animal shelter. If someone has a lost animal or wants to do a welfare check, this can be done if the animal is in Hayward. If one finds an animal after hours, they can call the non-emergency dispatch system. If the animal is feral, the shelter will take care of the animal and then put it up for adoption. The shelter works with a lot of rescue centers. The average intake of animals per year is around 2,700 to 3,400 animals. Some common animals taken in are kittens. The shelter gets a lot of kittens in summer, this is called kitten season. Kitten season is at its height generally around June. But there is always a need for help to take care of animals as fosters.

If one wants to become a volunteer outside of the shelter, they can aid with the wish list of things the shelter needs. For example, there is a need for nursing bottles, kitten food, blankets, etc. All nice extras are considered luxuries and are received through donations. So volunteers can help with setting up these donation centers. If volunteers are willing to do up to 20 hours, this can be done in a couple of days spread out across a couple of months, they can do training and then can work as a short-term volunteer. This includes playing and taking care of kittens and rabbits. For handling dogs, volunteers would need more training, generally around 6 months. When volunteering the shelter asks for 1 adult for 3 youth. A group can build or make something for the animals. For example, making pet beds made of PVC pipes or making puzzle-treat toys.



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If the HYC wants to do a service day, commissioners can make toys for animals. This can be done on-site, where commissioners make felt toys or treat toys, or off-site, where commissioners collect items to make toys in advance and then hand them to the animals later. All the materials individuals will need to provide for themselves, or individuals can create a fundraiser to make the treats. Can have many different ways to get donations to fundraise.

6:57 HAYWARD CITY COUNCIL, HARD, HUSD & LIBRARY REPORTS

Hayward City Council

Hayward City Council is not meeting at the moment, as they are in holiday recess. The first meeting will be in a couple of weeks. If anything needs to be placed on the agenda reach out to Councilmember Zermeno.

HUSD

January 3rd is the first day back in session for schools after the holiday. HUSD has been given access to testing kits from Alameda so students can have access to rapid tests for COVID-19. In an effort to curve spikes, there is a plan to have every HUSD student have 2 of the rapid tests after the break and to supply families with these tests. This week marks the end of the first semester for secondary schools. With it being halfway through the school year, there are start-ups for various programs e.g. driver ed sessions available for high school students.

Library

Making supply bags for schools and library: pencils, crayons, paper, binders for schools for which library have programs at.

7:02 PLANNING PROJECTS

Logistics

For the future event in April, need to work out logistics on if it will be in person or will be online. A big surge in covid cases. There is a concern from Commissioner Angelina that if the event is virtual then a lot of youth would not be as interested. Things virtually are not the same experience. However, if the event is in person, then the event may need to be hosted outside. May have designated areas for various booths while maintaining social distancing. If the event is in-person, there is also a risk of having the event canceled. Whether the event is virtual or in person, there is still a need for more work to be done on planning the event.

Another concern from Commissioner Harnoor is that although one person is fully vaccinated, that does not mean that they cannot transmit covid. If an individual leaves and somehow has covid, HYC needs to think about whether hosting an event is better than upholding others and their safety.

9 in favor of a virtual event. 7 in favor of an in-person event.

Need help with sending a survey for Hayward youth to get a sense of what youth want from this event/ how the event will take place.

Marketing/Entertainment



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7:20 HYC COMMITTEE GROUPS

Policy and Youth Advocacy/ Conference Speakers, Presenters, Entertainment

- Send out an email to survey the Hayward youth. Need someone to curate a poster with a QR code to send out to others to take the survey. Reach out to Side-by-Side and the Youth Leadership Institute about speaking. A topic that may bring in is anti-racism. Once get feedback from the survey, can get a few more speakers.
- Need to reach out to folks who want to perform during the talent segment of the event.
- Limit to 2 or 3 performers so things are not rushed like last year's events.
- Maybe have speakers inside and then workshops outside. Also may limit the registration to 100 attendees.

Marketing, Branding, and Social Media/Conference Publicity

- Set up a meeting with City to see if can have the event at City Hall.

7:51 ANNOUNCEMENTS/AGENDA ITEMS

February 7 HYC next meeting. Gain more information before the next meeting so can

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Anna adjourned the meeting at 7:52.

APPROVED:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Savonnah Wong', written over a horizontal line.

Savonnah Wong, Commissioner
Hayward Youth Commission

ATTEST:



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Ivan Padilla, Hayward Youth Commission Advisor
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