

CITY OF SANTA CLARA
YOUTH COMMISSION MINUTES
November 12, 2013

The City of Santa Clara Youth Commission met for their regular meeting on Tuesday, November 12 at 6:00 pm at the Santa Clara Teen Center, 2446 Cabrillo Avenue, Santa Clara, California, in lieu of their regularly scheduled meeting.

Present: Commissioners: Samia Abbasi, Ajaipal Chahal, Karla Cisneros, Devleena Das, Jeff Hara, Vyvy Nguyen, Rafal Saeed, Andrew Rauschhuber, Hannah Villalpando, Michelle Vo, Shana Vu, Ryan Winter, and Ashley Wong

Absent: Emily Packer – Not Excused
Sheryl Ratnam – Excused

Guests: Sufyan Abbasi – Student at Wilcox High School

Staff Present: Nan Choi – Teen Librarian
Jennifer Herb – Recreation Supervisor

Matters for City Council Action – None

- I. CALL TO ORDER - The meeting was called to order by Chair, Jeff Hara at 6:10 pm.
- II. INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS – Sufyan Abbasi – Student at Wilcox High School
- III. APPROVAL OF OCTOBER 15 MINUTES –
 - A. Shana Vu made a motion to amend the minutes with the following changes: IV. Correspondence A1 – the word “down “should be capitalized. F4 – the West Valley Jazz Festival happened on November 1 not the 11. VI. Old Business B3 – the Intergenerational Dance was not mentioned as a goal. Karla Cisneros seconded the motion. Hannah Villalpando made a motion to approve the amended minutes, seconded by Ryan Winter.
- IV. CORRESPONDENCE/COMMUNICATIONS–
 - A. Santa Clara High School
 - 1. November 9 – Marching Band Competition
 - 2. November 14 – Cyber High Class meeting
 - 3. November 15 – Football vs. Palo Alto
 - 4. November 16 – CCS
 - 5. November 20 – Fall Sports Awards Night
 - 6. November 22 – Staff vs. Student Volleyball
 - 7. November 25 – December 6, Family Giving Tree Toy Drive
 - 8. November 30 – Cross Country State Meet
 - 9. December 4 – Night of Acoustics
 - 10. December 6 – Holiday in the Quad

B. Wilcox High School

1. November 7, 8 and 15, 16 – Drama Production, “The Dining Room”
2. November 16 – CCS Meet
3. November 19 – Senior Panorama Picture
4. December 4 – Music Concert
5. December 6 – Choir Concert

C. Presentation High School - None

D. Archbishop Mitty High School

1. November 14 – Quest Retreat
2. November 15 – Fall Sketch Comedy Night
3. November 24 – Open House
4. November 27 – Thanksgiving Liturgy
5. December 2 – Christmas Concert
6. December 4-6, Visit Mitty Days
7. December 4 – Christmas Concert
8. December 6 – Winter Dance Recital & Christmas Rally

E. St. Francis High School - None

F. Bellarmine College Preparatory

1. November 8 – Parent/Son Mass
2. November 12 – Sophomore Retreat
3. November 13 and 14 – Winter Musical Auditions, “Hairspray”
4. November 14 – El Salvador March
5. November 15 – Parent/Son Mass
6. November 18 – Winter Warmth Drive begins
7. November 19-21, Kairos
8. November 21 – Poverty Simulation & Justice Summit Film, “The Contender”
9. November 24 – JW House Dodge Ball Tournament
10. November 26 – Thanksgiving Prayer Service and Winter Warmth Drive ends

G. Buchser Middle School

1. November 15 – Progress Reports
2. November 26 – Turkey Trot
3. December 5 – Winter Band Concert

V. SUMMARY OF CITY COUNCIL ACTIONS – None

VI. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Headless Homecoming Dance – Friday, October 25 – The Teen Center held the Halloween Dance in connection with Wilcox’s Homecoming. Entrance to the dance was \$5.00 with a costume, Homecoming T-shirt, football game ticket stub, or Teen Center Card. \$10.00 without. Dance began at 9:00 pm.
- B. Halloween Party – Thursday, October 31, 3:00pm – 6:00 pm –The Youth Commission sold concessions for the City Halloween Party at the Youth Activity Center. Concessions were sold from the Teen Center Café. The Youth Commissioner raised \$226.00 which will be put towards the Community Service Scholarship Fund.

VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Fun Run/Walk – the Committee met to continue discussing details of the event. Commissioner Ashley Wong is responsible for designing the T-shirt, Commissioner Jeff Hara is responsible for developing the format of the event, Commissioner Ajaipal Chahal is responsible for designing the flyer, and Jennifer Herb will look into inflatables. A committee meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, November 19 at 5:00 p.m.
- B. Intergenerational Dance – the Committee continues to develop the content of the event. Jennifer Herb shared the concerns of the Sr. Center staff. After discussing the concerns, the Committee would like to pursue the dance, but hold it at the Teen Center. Possible theme ideas are: Sock Hop, Hawaiian, Colors, Mardi Gras, or Decades. A committee meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, November 19 at 6:00 p.m.
- C. Parent Resource Workshops – after discussing possible topics for workshops, the Committee has decided to change their target audience and market to teens. Topics will include: How to deal with a Bully, Self-esteem, Internet Safety, and Eating Disorders. A committee meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, November 19 at 6:30 p.m.
- D. Santa Clara's Got Talent – the Committee continues to develop the details of the event. The Committee wants to keep the People's Choice Award, but is looking to facilitate it differently. Possibly have the audience text their choice. The Committee would like to have an informational meeting after the auditions, for those that are selected to perform. A committee meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, November 19 at 5:30 p.m.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Brainstorm teambuilding ideas and dates – Jennifer Herb is working with the Youth Commission to establish a date for a teambuilding activity.
- B. Youth Commission T-shirts – Jennifer continues to develop a design for the T-shirts. After taking a vote on desired T-shirt color, the Youth Commission chose Cardinal Red.
- C. November Committee meetings, November 19 – Due to the Thanksgiving week, committee meetings will be moved to November 19
- D. YAC Social, November 21 – The Youth Commission has been invited to attend the CPRS District 4 – YAC Social on Thursday, November 21. All Youth Commissions from San Francisco to Gilroy have been asked to participate. The evening will consist of ice-breakers, Youth Commission panel discussion, dinner, and YAC Attack planning.
- E. Tree Lighting Ceremony, December 6 – The Youth Commission will be participating in the annual city event, by providing a face-painting booth.
- F. An Evening with Santa, December 19 – Jennifer Herb asked if anyone was interested in volunteering at the holiday event. Those Youth Commissioners that wish to help can contact Jennifer.

IX. PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS – None

- X. ADJOURN – A motion was made by Rafal Saeed to adjourn the meeting at 8:07 pm. Ashley Wong seconded the motion. Meeting was adjourned to the next scheduled meeting, Tuesday, December 9, at the Teen Center.

Minutes Prepared by: _____
Jennifer Herb
Youth Commission Staff Liaison
Recreation Supervisor