



SARATOGA YOUTH COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING

OCTOBER 13, 2020

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7:00 PM YOUTH COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING

ROLL CALL

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS ON NON-AGENDIZED ITEMS

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AGENDA ITEMS: 7:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Bradley, Hicks, Huang, Jain, Leung, Liu, Lu, Madhan, Raamkumar, Wang, Zhai.

Commented [1]: Can we add in a section under "roll call" when you see members of the public? I think you could put "Members of the Public" or "Audience" and then put their Zoom names down? It would be super helpful for me but also anyone who applies in the Spring to have it reflected on the minutes. :)

1. Youth Commission Minutes

Recommended Action:

Review and approve the minutes from the September 21, 2020 and September 22, 2020 meeting.

[2020_09_21 Draft Minutes](#)

[2020_09_22 Draft Minutes](#)

Wang motioned to approve the minutes. Leung seconded the motion. AYES: Huang, Jain, Leung, Liu, Lu, Madhan, Raamkumar, Wang, Zhai. NOES: none. ABSTAIN: none. PASSED 11-0.

2. Recap of the Events

Recommended Action:

Share a recap of both the Joint Meeting with City Council Movie Night and State of the City message on October 3, 2020 and the Pizza & Politics event on October 9, 2020.

What went well:

- **Members prepared for the rehearsal beforehand and drafted a good script and schedule**

What could have been better:

- **Resolve and be prepared for internet connectivity issues**

Commented [2]: Hi Nicole! Great job on the minutes. I think we can bold the notes you take and then bold & underline the motions. I was just thinking it may be easier on the eyes. I know I had said underline everything before, but now that we are starting to get into more discussions (aka more notes), I think let's try it this new way for a bit. :)

3. YAC Social

Recommended Action:

Discuss opportunities for teens to socialize during the pandemic. Receive update from staff about the YAC Social 2020.

Games

- **Kahoot, Among Us, Two Truths and a Lie, Skribbl.io, online Bingo, Agar.io, Codenames**

Ideas to Discuss

- **How other commissions are engaging with their community**
- **How other commissions are structuring and organizing their events**
- **Issues and obstacles other commissions are facing and how they're planning to overcome them**
- **How other commissions are planning to carry over previous events**
- **How other commissions engage with their members**

4. Youth Commission Fundraising Plan

Recommended Action:

Discuss fundraising initiatives for 2020-2021.

- **Think of slogans to put on giveaway apparel because we can't put the official SYC logo on them**
- **Canned food drive partners: Second Harvest West Valley Community Services, Saratoga City's Food Drive**
- **Coat drives: commission can partner up with local nonprofits or businesses**
- **Can only use packaged boba kits for assembling kits**

Initiatives:

- **Inclusive playground equipment**

- Specific issues related to COVID-19

Plans for fundraising:

- Charging at virtual events
- Printing out a physical cookbook
- Sharing the GoFundMe on various social media platforms
- Arcade games (socially-distanced)
- Reaching out to local businesses to fundraise boba kits (ie. TeaLyfe) or partner up with chain retailers (Chipotle, ModPizza) that have fundraising partnership programs
- SWAG apparel
- Reach out to school newsletters or media programs to advertise GoFundMe
- Combine SWAG apparel with SEDTalks goody-bags
- Hiking for a cause; having hikers pay a certain amount in exchange for hiking essentials and to walk (work with city council and Parks and Rec Commission to implement the Saratoga to the Sea trail)

Lu motioned to have Madhan take the fundraising plan to city council. Leung seconded the motion. AYES: Huang, Jain, Leung, Liu, Lu, Madhan, Raamkumar, Wang, Zhai. NOES: none. ABSTAIN: none. PASSED 11-0.

5. Program for Individuals with Disabilities

Recommended Action:

Discuss ideas for a virtual activity that can temporarily replace the dances for individuals with disabilities.

- Saratoga City planning on hosting a thankful virtual crafts session using mason jars for Thanksgiving or Christmas
- Snowman gems, ValentineGrams, origami, paper stars
- Talent show planned for late January or early February

Bradley motioned to have the Youth Commission support the virtual crafts session with the city and tentatively schedule the talent show in late January to early February. Jain seconded the motion. AYES: Huang, Jain, Leung, Liu, Lu, Madhan, Raamkumar, Wang, Zhai. NOES: none. ABSTAIN: none. PASSED 11-0.

6. SED Talk

Recommended Action:

Receive report from the Youth Commission liaisons to the Teen Advisory Board to begin discussion and collaboration for the event.

- Subcommittee plans on reaching out to professors and students experienced in mental health
- SED Talks scheduled for December 5, 3 p.m.-4:30 p.m.
- Two events: one focused on mental health, the other for entrepreneurship
- Planning to have 3 speakers at each event with 15 minutes each
- Could charge entry fees for SED Talks on entrepreneurship

7. Future Agenda Items

Recommended Action:

Consider agenda items for upcoming meetings. The next Youth Commission meeting is scheduled for October 27, 2020.

- Discuss YouTube podcast, plan out dates to organize and create content
- Go over tree lighting and decorating the village plans
- Plan out holiday cookbook ideas

ADJOURNMENT 9:01 p.m.

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Signed this 7th day of October 2020 at Saratoga, California.

Kayla Nakamoto, Analyst

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