



City of Saratoga Youth Commission

MINUTES

DATE: Tuesday, October 22, 2019

TIME: 7:00p.m.

LOCATION: Linda Callon Conference Room
13777 Fruitvale Avenue
Saratoga, CA 95070

Call to Order (7:01pm)

Roll Call: Chitharanjan (Tardy), Koneru, Liu, Madhan (Absent), Peer, Pyun, Raamkumar, Rammohan, Wang, Zhai (Tardy).

Report on Posting of the Agenda: Pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.2, this meeting was properly posted on October 17, 2019.

Accept Agenda Items: No additional items may be added pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.2.

Approval of October 8th minutes (Pyun motion to approve the minutes; Koneru second. (7-0; PASSED) In Favor: Koneru, Liu, Peer, Pyun, Raamkumar, Rammohan, Wang. Opposed: none. Abstained: none.

Oral & Written Communication: Any member of the public may address the Commission about any matter not on the agenda for this meeting for up to three minutes. *Commissioners may not comment on the matter but may choose to place the topic on a future agenda.*

I. Presentation

- a. Santa Clara County Office of Education
Speaker – Yee Wan
- b. #YouthVoiceLive2020
Hosted by Santa Clara County of Education, Women's Equality 2020 Leadership Council.
 - Student/youth centered civic engagement event; Saturday, May 9, 2020
 - Empower youth to participate in the civic engagement process
 - Promote leadership, service, and advocacy in youth
 - Opportunities include rallies, multiple sessions, opportunities for Saratoga Youth Commission to share ideas, half-day leadership institute.
 - Planning meeting in December, survey will be out end of November

II. YAC Social Recap

- a. What did you like most about the social?
Meeting other commissions, sharing ideas regarding problems in youth society, team building exercises.
- b. Anything we can improve on?
Attendance (only 5 Saratoga Youth Commissioners attended this year)
- c. What topic would you like to share?
Mental health/illness, drug/abuse, college applications, career options.
Opportunity for Saratoga Youth Commission: Participate in Mental Health Awareness Event in the Spring hosted by the Redwood Teen Advisory Board.

III. Budget Update – Madhan

IV. Witchy Walk

- a. 1:45-4:15pm
Chittharanjan, Liu, Pyun, Rammohan, Zhai
- b. Blaney Plaza
- c. Candy and costumes
Hand out candy (limit in the beginning to avoid running out of candy); no scary or inappropriate costumes
- d. Staff

V. City Council Meeting

- a. November 6th
- b. 7:00-8:00pm
- c. Donation Policy
 - Council approval required before we can solicit donations
 - Raising funds for one park (preferred) or multiple?
 - Parks & Recreation Commission is doing ADA on parks in Saratoga
 - Fundraising ideas/possibilities
 - Selling succulents at a community event
 - Color Dash (including posters with Youth Commission goals depicted for motivation)
 - Fundraiser
 - Dance
 - Outdoor movie

VI. Kahoot

- a. Joan Pisani Community Center
Decorations: balloons, poster boards, streamers
People bring supplies to the next meeting
- b. Tuesday, November 26th from 3:30-5:00pm
(Arrive at 2:15pm for set up)
Locations for advertising/marketing for Kahoot:
 - Redwood Middle School (Raamkumar)
 - Saratoga High School (Wang)
 - Stratford, Harker, Sacred Heart, St. Andrews, Downtown (Zhai)
 - Big Basin (Koneru)
 - Prospect (Rammohan)
 - El Quito Starbucks (Peer)Goal for approval of flyer by November 5th.
- c. Review, test, create Kahoot!
- d. Prizes & food
- e. Marketing – Liu
 - Verify incoming students' student IDs at check in.

VII. Walk One Week

- a. Availability for W.O.W.
 - March 2-6th
 - March 16-20th
 - April 20-24th

May 18-22nd

- b. Student leadership role
 - i. Kick off video or presentation?
Koneru motion to do a promotional video; Liu second. (8-0; PASSED) In Favor: Chittharanjan, Koneru, Liu, Peer, Pyun, Raamkumar, Rammohan, Wang. Opposed: none. Abstained: none.

Prizes: Grand prize will be Sky High Tickets, Runner up prizes are TBD, Participation prizes will be water bottles designed by Liu.
- c. Initial email by October 31st
 - i. Saratoga - Madhan
 - ii. Marshall Lane – Zhai
 - iii. Foothill – Pyun
 - iv. Argonaut – Koneru
 - v. Blue Hills – Chittharanjan
 - vi. Sacred Heart – Wang

VIII. Work Plan

- a. Schedule the tentative months
 - Multicultural Art Extravaganza – April 25th
 - Host at Wildwood Park (outdoors), Blaney Plaza by where the Tree Lighting event happens, Joan Pisani Community Center, MPR
 - a. Saturday in April or May
- b. Collaboration Updates
 - i. Parks & Recreation Commission – Madhan & Chittharanjan
 - ii. Saratoga Library Teen Advisory Board – Koneru & Rammohan
Email sent, no response so far.

IX. Important Upcoming Dates

- October 26th: Witchy Walk-A-Bout – 2:00-4:00pm – Downtown Saratoga
- November 6th: Donation Policy Request – 7:00-8:00pm – Civic Theater
- November 29th: Tree Lighting – 5:00-6:30pm – Blaney Plaza

X. Adjournment (9:06pm)

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