

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

CITY OF LAFAYETTE Lafayette Youth Advisory Committee Meeting May 1, 2013

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Call to Order/Roll Call

Co-Chair Zack Cusworth called the May 1 meeting to order at 6:34 pm in the multipurpose room at the Lafayette Recreation Center, 111 W. Baseline Road, Lafayette, Colorado. The following Committee Members were present: Madison Cowan, Theron Crawford, Hailey Ettinger, Angelica Grimard, Faun Gulland, Max Hittle, Steven Jordan, JD Mangat, Darci Maxwell, Tai Pham, Emma Piller, Megan Schmid, Balkarn Shahi, and Jasmine Trujillo. Also present were Advisory Members Karen Snortland and Elaina Verveer.

Items from the Public

Audrey Brazeel, who coordinates school-based programs on behalf of Project YES, invited the Committee to staff the organization's year-end project unveiling on Friday, May 10 at Centaurus High School. The following members volunteered to support the event: Madison Cowan, Hailey Ettinger, Steven Jordan, JD Mangat, Darci Maxwell, Tai Pham, Emma Piller, Balkarn Shahi, and Jasmine Trujillo.

Committee Minutes

A motion was made by Angelica Grimard and seconded by Faun Gulland to approve the minutes of the Committee Meeting of April 3, 2013 as written. The motion was passed unanimously.

Past Committee Minutes and Budgetary Actions

A motion was made by Jasmine Trujillo and seconded by Megan Schmid to approve the minutes of the Committee Meeting of January 16, 2013 as written. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Max Hittle and seconded by Angelica Grimard to approve the minutes of the Committee Meeting of February 6 as written. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Madison Cowan and seconded by Jasmine Trujillo to approve the minutes of the Committee Meeting of February 20 as written. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Steven Jordan and seconded by Emma Piller to approve the minutes of the Committee Meeting of March 6, 2013 as written. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Zack Cusworth and seconded by Megan Schmid to approve the minutes of the Committee Meeting of March 20 as written. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Angelica Grimard and seconded by Max Hittle to allocate \$50 in funding to compensate a local graphic designer for the development of Cesar Chavez event posters and flyers. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Emma Piller and seconded by Theron Crawford to allocate \$150 in funding to purchase refreshments and paper products for the Cesar Chavez event on April 5. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Max Hittle and seconded by Angelica Grimard to allocate \$50 in funding for editing support. The motion was passed unanimously.

Scheduled Items and Discussions

Co-Chair Zack Cusworth discussed the Committee's involvement in the City of Lafayette's annual Cesar Chavez "Seeds of Justice" march and rally on April 5, 2013. While members deemed the event, which convened more than 325 community members in celebration, successful, they suggested that a concerted effort be made to recruit additional community members to future events. In addition, they recommended that the speaking program be condensed and/or concurrent activities be limited.

The Committee discussed outcomes from recent underage drinking presentations that it coordinated at local schools. Students at both Centaurus High School and Peak to Peak Charter School shared positive feedback; the video that the Committee developed with support from Officer Wendy Stogner was also well received. Members suggested that links to the video be made available to other youth leadership organizations, as well as to Boulder County's Healthy Youth Alliance, which administers the Boulder County Youth Risk Behavior Survey at BVSD and St. Vrain secondary schools.

Co-Chair JD Mangat debriefed the Committee's participation in the Second Congressional District Youth Summit, which was hosted by Congressman Jared Polis' Youth Advisory Board on April 27. Despite the length of the Summit, which the Committee found to be too short, members found the event to be incredibly meaningful and suggested that annual youth summits be held with local municipal youth boards.

Among other topics, the Summit focused on gun violence and gun safety. During relevant discussions, Co-Chair JD Mangat discussed a proposal that he and other Centaurus students, including Committee members Steven Jordan, Tai Pham, and Balkarn Shahi developed to host a firearm buyback event in Lafayette or Boulder County this summer. The Committee expressed initial support for the proposal; members elected to generate interest in, and monetary pledges for, the proposed event outside of Committee-sponsored meetings and events.

Co-Chair Zack Cusworth discussed new member recruitment and selection. Candidates who are interested in serving on the Committee will be required to both complete a written application and participate in an informal interview this summer. New members will be selected in August pending Council approval.

Per its bylaws, the Committee will meet once in June on June 19 and once in July on July 17, as well as will coordinate a celebration for current members this summer. The Committee will return to its bimonthly meeting schedule in August.

Adjournment

The Committee Meeting of May 1, 2013 adjourned at 7:39 p.m.