SIMI VALLEY YOUTH COUNCIL

Tuesday, May 17, 2022, 5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. Simi Valley Senior Center, Room 106/107 3900 Avenida Simi



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AGENDA Special Meeting Location

- 1. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance
- Agenda Review

This is the time to reorder and/or remove items from the agenda by consensus of the Youth Council. Any individual member who will be abstaining from a discussion item should announce his/her intentions at this time.

- 3. Approval of Minutes from April 20, 2022
- 4. Correspondence
- 5. Public Statements/Comments

Time allotted for public statements on all items on the agenda, as well as matters not on the agenda but within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Youth Council. Statements and comments are limited to no more than five (5) minutes per speaker.

- Informational Presentations
- Continued Business
 - a. Updates on Youth Council Fundraising Efforts and Events
 - b. Discussion of the Youth Council Talent Show on Friday, May 20, 2022, at the Simi Valley Cultural Arts Center
- New Business
 - a. Discussion of New Member Youth Council Interviews
 - b. Discussion and Selection of the Teen Crisis Resource Number Review Committee
- 9. Representative Reports

Youth Council Reports and Comments

This is the time for Youth Council members' statements or comments on matters within the subject matter and jurisdiction of the Youth Council or to request a future agenda item. This is also the time to make any announcements related to community events and other items of interest.



- 10. Coordinator's Report
- 11. Adjournment: Tuesday, June 7, 2022, 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., City Hall Community Room.

Anna M. Médina

Deputy Community Services Director

If any interested individual has a disability that may require accommodation to participate in this meeting, please contact the Youth Council Coordinator at (805) 583-6766. Upon advance notification, reasonable arrangements will be made to provide accessibility to the meeting.

DRAFT MINUTES

Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance

Youth Council Chair Rahul Naveen called the meeting to order at 5:03 p.m. and Youth Council Secretary Ella McCrossan took attendance, verifying that a quorum was present.

Selection Districts		I	Members-At-Large		
Α	Arianna Reyes – AHS	Р	Matheus Brocchi	Р	Isaac Tieu
Р	Ella McCrossan-RHS	P*	Rashi Khandare		
Р	Rikka Tignac-RHS	Р	Krish Kothiya	Alternates	
Е	Sumaiya Akbar-SSHS	Р	Rahul Naveen	Р	Mingxin (Dora) Deng
Р	Abhishek Jagannathan-SSHS	Р	lan Nelson	Α	Mingxuan Li
Р	Joshua Chandran-SVHS	Р	Aneri Pillai	Р	Jasleen Sidhu
Р	Ashlyn Ro-SVHS	Р	Kalyssa Ro	P = Present	
Р	Gracie Kim-HMS	Р	Jacob Salvanera	E = Excused A = Absent V = Vacant	
Р	Jordan Downey - SMS	Р	Rohith Saju		
P	Saydee Ro - VVMS	E	Alden Ta		
*Arrived after approval of the minutes					

Staff:

Anna Medina, Deputy Community Services Director; and Kristin

Tignac, Community Services Coordinator.

Guests:

Mayor Pro Tem Elaine Litster; Ryan Fowler, Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation and Institute, Student Leadership Program Coordinator; Rob Fiance, Chief Operating Officer (COO), STS Education; Galen Steward; students Nandhiha Krishnamoorthi, Maya Maizland and Abigale Potter.

Agenda Review

There being no changes, the agenda was approved as presented.

3. Approval of Minutes from April 5, 2022

ACTION: A motion to approve the April 5, 2022 minutes as written was made by Matheus Brocchi and seconded by Jacob Salvanera.

Youth Council Vote: 19 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Abstentions

The motion passed.

4. Correspondence

Ms. Tignac stated that Youth Council member Rashi Khandare's mother, Minal Khandare, had connected with her after the April 5 Youth Council meeting to discuss upcoming Earth day events and volunteer opportunities.

Ms. Tignac stated that Youth Council had received correspondence from Wanda Moyer, City of Simi Valley's Environmental Compliance Program Coordinator, requesting volunteers to help run the water conservation booth at the Rancho Simi Recreation and Park District's Earth Day event on Friday, April 22, 2022. Youth Council members Dora Deng, Gracie Kim, Rohith Saju, and Rikka Tignac volunteered to help.

5. Public Statements/Comments

Mayor Pro Tem Elaine Lister thanked the Youth Council for their recent work. She informed members that the public statements portion of the City Council meeting was moved to be earlier in the agenda for the convenience of the public.

Students Nandhiha Krishnamoorthi and Abigale Potter both stated that they were attending the meeting to observe.

STS Education COO, Rob Fiance, stated that he was glad to be attending the meeting and speaking to the members.

Ryan Fowler, SLP Program Coordinator, Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation and Institute (RRPFI), expressed his excitement to be attending the meeting.

6. Informational Presentations

a. The Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation and Institute's (RRPRI) Summer Leadership Program (SLP) by Ryan Fowler, Program Coordinator

Mr. Fowler expressed his gratitude for the great partnership the RRPFI has had with the Youth Council. Mr. Fowler gave a brief overview of the Student Leadership Program offered by the RRPFI. He highlighted the following points: The program explores the current leadership skills you have and advances them, during the program you spend five days building a leadership action plan and then present the project to a community leader, and that this summer there were three different program formats to choose from.

For more information about the SLP programs available this summer, visit https://www.reaganfoundation.org/education/student-leadership-program.

b. STS Education and Employment Opportunities for Summer and Beyond by Rob Fiance, COO

Mr. Fiance provided an overview of the history of the company, as well as its products, services and values. Mr. Fiance also discussed the summer employment opportunities offered by the company, including the wellness workshops and financial literacy classes given to employees. He also answered specific questions Youth Council members had about the paid summer internship opportunities.

7. Continued Business

a. Updates on Youth Council Fundraising Efforts

Fundraising Committee Chair AJ Jagannathan reminded Youth Council members to continue selling their Jamba Juice fundraiser cards! He also

reminded members that the Youth Council Whodunit Escape Room was scheduled on Saturday, April 23, 2022.

8. New Business

a. Approval of Presentation to be Presented during the Rancho Simi Recreation and Park District Board Meeting at 6:30 p.m., on April 20, 2022

Youth Council members had a brief discussion regarding adding ideas for future programming to the presentation to the Rancho Simi Recreation and Park District Board Meeting. Youth Council Coordinator Kristin Tignac encouraged all members to stay after the Youth Council meeting to watch the presentation.

b. Discussion of the Youth Council Talent Show on Saturday, May 20, 2022, at the Simi Valley Cultural Arts Center

Youth Council Talent Show Committee Chair Jacob Salvanera led the discussion by first reminding members to continue encouraging acts to sign up for the show.

The following roles were assigned for the Show: Jacob Salvanera as emcee; Rikka Tignac as stage manager and Ella McCrossan as Assistant Stage Manager; Abhishek Jagannathan and Ian Nelson as presenters; Jordan Downey and Rohith Saju as photographers; Rahul Naveen, Rashi Khandare, and Ashlyn Ro working the opportunity drawing; Kalyssa Ro, Aneri Pillai, Matheus Brocchi and Maya Maizland working concessions; Alden Ta, Sadie Ro, and Gracie Kim as greeters/act supervisors; Joshua Chandran, Krish Kothiya, and Isaac Tieu as runners; and Sumaiya Akbar, Dora Deng, and Jasleen Sidhu as freelancers.

Members then discussed having the Ro sisters as the closing act with the possibility of other Youth Council members singing along to their instrumental performance.

9. Representative Reports

Youth Council Reports and Comments

Rashi Khandare told members about an Earth Day-themed zoom scheduled on April 21, 2022 about how to care for houseplants. She also told members that she would like to have all of the Youth Council come together to plant trees in Santa Monica as a service project. Ms. Tignac to reach out to members to select best date to help with the service project.

Social Media Committee Chair Ella McCrossan gave an update on the Social Media Committee's recent activities and reminded everyone to follow the Youth Council on Instagram, Facebook, and YouTube @simivalleyyouthcouncil. She also celebrated that the @simivalleyyouthcouncil Instagram account reached 900 followers!

Mental Health Committee Chair Joshua Chandran gave an update on the committee's recent activities.

Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Committee Chair Matheus Brocchi stated that he was waiting for a response from a School Board Member to schedule a meeting to discuss the committee's work plan item.

School Infrastructure Committee Vice Chair Isaac Tieu gave an update on the committee's recent activities.

TUPE Committee Chair Ashlyn Ro thanked everyone who volunteered at the committee's bracelet making event on April 8, 2022.

10. Coordinator's Report

Ms. Tignac reminded members to continue promoting Talent Show sign ups which are due by April 22, 2022. The sign up can be found by going to www.bit.ly/yctalentreg.

Ms. Tignac also reminded Ian Nelson that he is the next Youth Council Informational Report presenter to the City Council on April 25, 2022.

Ms. Tignac reminded members that the Job and Career Fair was scheduled on Saturday, April 23, 2022, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Simi Valley Public Library. She encouraged members to volunteer at and promote the event.

Ms. Tignac reminded members about the Youth Council Whodunit Escape Room on Saturday, April 23, 2022.

The upcoming committee meetings are: the Talent Show Committee on April 22, 2022 at 4:15pm on Zoom; the Social Media Committee on May 16, 2022 at 5:00 p.m. on Zoom; and the Mental Health Committee on May 17, 2022, in-person following the regular Youth Council Meeting.

Ms. Tignac reminded members to save the following dates:

Wednesday, May 18, 2022 for the Talent Show Tech/Show run-through at the Cultural Arts Center, beginning at 5:00 p.m.

Friday, May 20, 2022 for the Youth Council Talent Show. Youth Council Members to arrive at 5:00 p.m., doors open at 6:00 p.m., and the Show to begin at 7:00 p.m.

11. Adjournment: Tuesday, May 17, 2022, 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Simi Valley Senior Center

Youth Council Chair Rahul Naveen adjourned the meeting at 6:17 p.m.