



## Minutes Mayor's Youth Advisory Commission October 20, 2015

Minutes of the Mayor's Youth Advisory Commission held on October 20, 2015 6:30 p.m., at the Tempe, Public Library Board Room, 3500 S. Rural Road 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Tempe, Arizona.

**MEMBERS Present:** Daniel Bish, Alexis Blanc, Taylore Catherman, Tiffanie Cappello-Lee, Kevin Dunnahoo, Hayden Eastwood, Gabriel Edwards, Ryan Emerson, Juliet Farr, Sophia Gonzalez, Smita Gopalakrishnan, Nicholas Hargis, Nandini Mishra, Chris Moffitt, Nomith Murari, Marissa Salazar, Carter Vierra, Safiyah Zubair, Elizabeth Zyriek.

**MEMBERS Absent:** Jason George, Aemelia Morris, Jaren Savage, and Ellie Young.

**City Staff Present:** Lily Villa.

**Guests Present:** None.

### **Agenda Item 1 – Call Meeting To Order/Introductions**

**Chris Moffitt, MYAC Chair**, called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

### **Agenda Item 2 – Consideration of the Meeting Minutes: September 29, 2015**

**Nomith Murari, MYAC Vice Chair**, read the minutes from the September 29, 2015 meeting.

**Motion: Sophia Gonzalez** motioned to approve the minutes.

**Second: Alexis Blanc** seconded the motion.

**Decision:** Minutes were approved.

### **Agenda Item 3 – Treasurer's Report**

**Kevin Dunnahoo, MYAC Treasurer** provided the Treasurer's Report.

### **Agenda Item 4 – Announcements**

**Alexis** informed the MYAC members about the Community Service Project Subcommittee's presentation to the Superintendent's Student Advisory Council. It will take place on November 17<sup>th</sup> at the Marcos de Niza lecture hall at 11:30am. **Alexis** also passed around a permission slip and informed the commissioners that they would have two meetings before November 17<sup>th</sup> to practice their presentation.

### **Agenda Item 5 – Leadership Training/ Retreat Review**

**Chris** asked the MYAC members to share their opinions regarding the MYAC Retreat/ Training on September 26<sup>th</sup>.

- 1) **Juliet Farr** enjoyed the guest speakers and dragon boat racing.
- 2) **Nomith** enjoyed the fact that the members could bond and build teamwork.
- 3) **Nicholas Hargis** stated that he appreciated the event planning speaker's objective; however he felt that the presentation was overly simplistic for the MYAC members' purposes. Other MYAC members agreed that the presentation could have been more comprehensive, but they stated that event planning training is important for future MYAC members.
- 4) The veteran MYAC members suggested that Aaron Peterson does his "True Colors Leadership Style" training during the 2016 Retreat/ Training.

#### **Agenda Item 6 – 2016 Youth Town Hall Topics**

- 1) **Daniel Bish, Youth Town Hall Chair**, distributed handouts with suggestions from the Tempe youth community for the 2016 Youth Town Hall discussions. **Daniel** led the group in a brainstorming session to determine the discussion topics. The following topics were selected for the 2016 Youth Town Hall:
  - School Environments
  - Peer Pressure/ Social Acceptance
  - Life Skills Classes
- 2) **Daniel** passed around a list of different jobs that the MYAC members could volunteer to do during the 2016 Youth Town Hall. He informed the group that the students who were interested in being group facilitators would be interviewed and trained for the position.
- 3) **Lily** will set up interview dates and times for the MYAC members who want to facilitate group discussions.

#### **Agenda Item 7 – Future Agenda Items**

- Youth Town Hall Planning

The Commission's next meeting will be **November 3, 2015**.

**Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.**

Prepared by: Smita Gopalakrishnan

Reviewed by: Kim Bauman and Lily Villa

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Chris Moffitt, Chair  
Mayor's Youth Advisory Commission