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MEETING AGENDA

TOWN OF YUCCA VALLEY YOUTH COMMISSION

YOUTH COMMISSION MEETING
MONDAY, JANUARY 5, 2015
6:30 P.M.

YUCCA VALLEY COMMUNITY CENTER
OCOTILLO ROOM
57090 TWENTYNINE PALMS HIGHWAY
YUCCA VALLEY, CALIFORNIA 92284

Youth Commission

Aaron Ahmadi, Cole Baldwin, Taysha Boyas, Nicole Caguioa,
Tommy Cruz, Tyler Geeson, Zoie Gianforte, Francisco Gonzalez,
Miranda Green, Rachel Green, Rachel Kee, Courtney Linzner,
Vianne Militar, Joshua Pringle, Angel Rodriguez, Sarah Rodriguez,
Emily Sheckler, Madison Tuttle, Aurora Valdes, Katie Young,

Parks, Recreation & Cultural Commission

Jeff Evans, Dan Harman, Edith Jones-Poland, Laurine Silver

Curtis Yakimow, *Town Manager*

Sue Earnest, *Community Services Manger*

Megan Stueckle, *Staff Liaison/Secretary*

Community Services Department 760-369-7211

**AGENDA
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
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(WHERE APPROPRIATE OR DEEMED NECESSARY, ACTION MAY BE TAKEN ON ANY ITEM LISTED ON THE AGENDA)

CALL TO ORDER (Chair)

ROLL CALL Chair Ahmadi, Vice Chair R.Green
Commissioner Baldwin, Commissioner Boyas, Commissioner Caguioa, Commissioner Cruz,
Commissioner Geeson, Commissioner Gianforte, Commissioner Gonzalez, Commissioner Green,
Commissioner Kee, Commissioner Linzner, Commissioner Militar, Commissioner Pringle,
Commissioner A. Rodriguez, Commissioner S. Rodriguez, Commissioner Sheckler,
Commissioner Tuttle, Commissioner Valdes, Commissioner Young.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by _____

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

January 5, 2015 Youth Commission Agenda

Action Motion: **Move to approve the agenda of the January 5,
2015 Youth Commission meeting**

Move _____ 2nd _____ Vote _____

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

November 17, 2014 Youth Commission Minutes

Action Motion: **Move to approve the minutes of the November 17,
2014 Youth Commission meeting**

Move _____ 2nd _____ Vote _____

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PUBLIC COMMENTS

In order to assist in the orderly and timely conduct of the meeting, the Youth Commission takes this time to consider your comments on items of concern which are not on the agenda. When you are called to speak, please state your name and community of residence. The Youth Commission will not take action or discuss items not on the printed agenda.

STAFF REPORTS

1. Design and Planning of Anti-Bullying Campaign

Recommendation: Discuss the Anti-Bullying presentation. Review packaged campaign material and outreach methods that will be presented by staff and determine desired elements. Move to approve the details of the 2014/2015 Youth Commission Anti-Bullying Work Plan.

Action Motion _____

Move _____ 2nd _____ Vote _____

STAFF INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Upcoming Volunteer Opportunities & Special Events
2. Report on Light Parade entry and other holiday events

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COMMISSIONER REPORTS AND COMMENTS

1. Chair Ahmadi:
2. Vice Chair Green:
3. Commissioner Baldwin:
4. Commissioner Boyas:
5. Commissioner Caguioa:
6. Commissioner Cruz:
7. Commissioner Geeson:
8. Commissioner Gianforte:
9. Commissioner Gonzalez:
10. Commissioner Green:
11. Commissioner Kee:
12. Commissioner Linzner:
13. Commissioner Militar:
14. Commissioner Pringle:
15. Commissioner Rodriguez:
16. Commissioner Rodriguez:
17. Commissioner Sheckler:
18. Commissioner Tuttle:
19. Commissioner Valdes:
20. Commissioner Young:

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The date, time and place of the next Youth Commission meetings:

The next scheduled meeting of the Youth Commission will be Monday, February 2, 2015 meeting at 6:30 p.m. in the Ocotillo Room of the Yucca Valley Community Center.

ADJOURNMENT

MINUTES

TOWN OF YUCCA VALLEY YOUTH COMMISSION

Monday, November 17, 2014

CALL TO ORDER The regular meeting of the Town of Yucca Valley Youth Commission was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chair Ahmadi

ROLL CALL Commissioners present were: Ahmadi, Baldwin, Caguioa, Cruz, Geeson, Gianforte, Gonzalez, R. Green, Kee, Linzner, Militar, Pringle, A. Rodriguez, Sheckler, Tuttle, and Young
Excused: Commissioners Green, S. Rodriguez, and Valdes
Absent: Commissioner Boyas

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Led by Commissioner Gonzalez

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Action Motion: **Commissioner Linzner moved to approve the Agenda of November 17, 2014 Youth Commission meeting**

Move: Linzner 2nd: Pringle Vote: 16-0-0

STAFF REPORTS

1. Approval of the 2014/2015 Youth Commission Goals

Staff brought back the five items that the Youth Commissioners wanted to consider as their 2014/2015 goals:

- 1) A YouTube video on bullying and how to prevent it
- 2) A Presentation on bullying at local schools
- 3) The Parks Ordinance – recommendations against smoking
- 4) Representing the Town in the Parade of Lights and in the Grubstake Days events
- 5) Sidewalks review and recommendation campaign

The Commissioners discussed and decided they would create a campaign to draw awareness to bullying, including making a YouTube video on bullying and peer pressure, with Commissioners playing the role of a bully to show how it affects children and teens. Commissioners discussed doing anonymous surveys and pamphlets about bullying and teen drug abuse and how they coincide and how to prevent both of them. Commissioners decided to show the YouTube video at the local schools as a presentation.

Commissioners also discussed and decided to consider and recommend more specific changes to the Parks Ordinance in the area of smoking.

Instead of making the Parade of Lights and the Grubstake Days events into a goal, the

Commissioners decided that instead, they would like to participate in these events as a group and represent the Town in the best way they possibly can. The item was removed as a goal.

By a vote, the sidewalks review was removed for their goals at this time.

Action: Motion: **Commissioner Pringle moved to approve the 2014/2015 Youth Commission goals and to request staff inform the Parks, Recreation & Cultural Commission of the action.**

Move: Pringle 2nd R. Green Vote: 15-0-1

STAFF INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Commission T-shirts (selection and sizes)

The Commissioners took a vote and decided to have a navy blue tie-dye Youth Commission shirt with pink writing for the girls and white writing for the boys.

2. Invitation to Town Council Meeting – Youth Commission Appointments on November 18, 2014
Recreation Supervisor Sue Earnest invited the Commissioners to the November 18 Town Council Meeting for the Youth Commissioners to be introduced and appointed to the Council Members

3. Upcoming Volunteer Opportunities

Recreation Supervisor Sue Earnest told the Commissioners the upcoming events the Recreation Staff will be putting on for the public, including:

1. The Holiday Craft Faire
2. The Tree Lighting Ceremony
3. The Parade of Lights

Sue Earnest gave the Commissioners the opportunity to volunteer for these events.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS AND COMMENTS

1. **Chair Ahmadi:** Looking forward to complete the work plan. I like you guys.
2. **Vice Chair Green:** Good meeting and excited for upcoming events
3. **Commissioner Baldwin:** Good meeting. I like you too.
4. **Commissioner Boyas:** Absent
5. **Commissioner Caguioa:** No comment
6. **Commissioner Cruz:** I'm sad we didn't get orange shirts
7. **Commissioner Geeson:** No comment
8. **Commissioner Gianforte:** Happy to start bullying project and the park ordinance project
9. **Commissioner Gonzalez:** Good meeting looking forward to next meeting
10. **Commissioner Green:** Absent
11. **Commissioner Kee:** Pretty Gucci
12. **Commissioner Linzner:** No Comment
13. **Commissioner Militar:** Great meeting, can't wait for the next one

14. **Commissioner Pringle:** Looking forward to next meeting
15. **Commissioner Rodriguez:** I'm sad we didn't get orange shirts
16. **Commissioner Rodriguez:**
17. **Commissioner Sheckler:** No comment
18. **Commissioner Tuttle:** Excited to start the work plan
19. **Commissioner Valdes:** Absent
20. **Commissioner Young:** No comment

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Jeff Evans thanked the commissioners for letting him sit in during the meeting and letting him discuss with them the idea of turning their YouTube video into their school presentation.

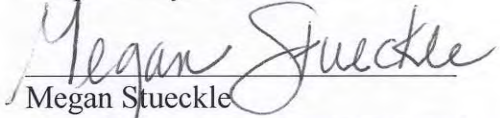
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The next scheduled meetings of the Youth Commission will be a meeting on Monday, December 1, and regular workshop Monday, January 5, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. in the Ocotillo Tree Room of the Yucca Valley Community Center.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 7:34 pm by Chair Ahmadi.

Respectfully submitted



Megan Stueckle

Youth Commission Staff Liaison/Secretary

YOUTH COMMISSION STAFF REPORT

To: Youth Commission

From: Sue Earnest, Community Services Manager

Date: December 23, 2014

For Commission Meeting: January 5, 2015

Subject: Refining of the 2014/2015 Anti-Bullying Presentation

Recommendation: Discuss the previously identified goals, consider modifying the approach to include presentation of information and videos prepared by others, and move to approve the details of the Anti-Bullying Presentation.

Order of Procedure:

- Request Staff Report
- Request Public Comment
- Commission Questions
- Motion/Second
- Discussion on Motion
- Call the Question

Discussion:

At its meeting of November 17, 2014, the Commission discussed possible goals for the 2014-15 term. After discussion the Commission voted to include the goal of creating a campaign to draw awareness to bullying, including making a YouTube video on bullying and peer pressure, with Commissioners playing the role of a bully to show how it affects children and teens. Commissioners discussed performing anonymous surveys and distributing pamphlets about bullying and teen drug abuse. Commissioners also decided to show the YouTube video at the local schools as a presentation.

At its meeting of December 1, 2014, the Commission discussed the details of creating the Anti-Bullying campaign. After discussion, the Commission agreed to create and perform two skits of 2-5 minutes each; one featuring direct bullying and one featuring indirect bullying. Chair Ahmadi asked for individuals to volunteer for the duties of script writing, announcer and performers. Although some volunteered for script writing and announcing, no Commissioners were interested in performing in the presentation.

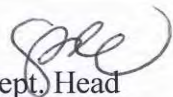
Staff Review and Recommendation:

Approved:

Town Manager

Town Attorney

Mgmt. Services

Dept. Head 

Department Report Request of other Agency Ordinance Study Session

Consent Presentation Resolution Public Hearing

At this time, staff recommends that the Commission consider preparing a presentation that utilizes existing anti-bullying videos and other outreach materials. The Commission could review and consider material from a variety of anti-bullying campaigns such as stopbullying.gov, Tom Thelen's Victimproof, or other presentation. Staff will present some options and encourage Commissioners to research and make suggestions. Upon receiving direction, Staff will pursue the acquisition of presentation materials from the selected program.

Alternatives: None recommended.

Attachments: None