

# ***City of Petaluma***

## **YOUTH COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES**

Tuesday, April 21, 2009 – 6-8 pm

Petaluma Community Center, 320 N. McDowell Blvd., Petaluma, California 94954

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**CALL TO ORDER by co-presidents at 6pm**

**ROLL CALL**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – not available

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

**CORRESPONDENCE**

**COMMISSION COMMENTS AND REPORTS:** Commissioner Souza announced that volunteers were needed to help with the Hospice Volunteer Recognition Dinner on Friday, April 24th. Several youth members signed up to take part.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Calendar of Events for YC, May – Sept (handout)

The Leadership Committee distributed a Calendar of Events for the next few months including May 12<sup>th</sup> regular meeting agenda items, June 9<sup>th</sup> mixer and ice cream social, June 15<sup>th</sup> City Council meeting and Youth Commission report, August Orientation/Leadership training and for new members and returning members and then September 8<sup>th</sup> is when the regular Youth Commission meetings start again.

There was discussion to plan the various events coming up. Items to be included in the Youth report for City Council might include Teen Center closing, and teen employment changes. The mixer will be for new and returning members and all will bring favorite toppings for the ice cream.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

1. Committee reports

a. Membership reported there were 24 applications for seats on the Youth Commission. Commissioner Abbott congratulated the Commissioners and the Membership Committee members in particular for their efforts to get the word out to young people. It is anticipated that there are nine Youth vacancies for next year. It is still uncertain how many Adult vacancies there will be.

The Committee asked for additional volunteers to help with interviews.

A draft Guidelines and Agreement page was distributed for comment and a few changes were suggested. It is not yet clear when members would sign the statement but generally the thought is to help members better understand the commitment they are making when they agree to serve.

b. Outreach Committee member Commissioner Russel reported that their members would meet with each of the City Council members to help them learn more about the Youth Commission and discuss ways to work together. Several council

members had already met with committee members, others would be meeting in the next two weeks.

c. Communications Plan (Amber & Scott)

Held over to the next meeting.

**ADJOURN**-Commissioner Russell moved to adjourn and Commissioner Leahy seconded with all in favor. 7:20pm