

**Petaluma Youth Commission
Meeting Minutes
January 13, 2009
6-8PM**

Call to order at 6:00PM - Commission Chair Abbott

Roll Call - Commission Chair Yoshioka

Commissioners Present: Abbott, Faur, Hall, Souza, Arango, Silva, Yoshioka, McNamara, Leahy, Russell, Meyers, and Abercrombie

Commissioners Absent: Pritchard, Velasquez, Torres, Clare do Ceu, Hernandez, O’Kane, Luchessi

Staff: Serene Cooper

Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve: Commission Chair Abbott

Correspondence: Commission Chair Abbott notified the YC of two commissioner resignations from Mary Ramatici and Rose Tobin.

Commission Comments and Reports:

Membership Committee

- Commissioner Meyers reported that they are working on new logo and application. Have a rough draft of both and need approval of YC. Should add “City of Petaluma”
- Recruitment plan: Planning to meet with school counselors to hand out flyers.. Need to add contact information. Place at school where all applications can be at the schools? Maybe have application on PDF. Commissioner Yoshioka is the contact for PHS. Commissioners Russell, Silva, Leahy, and McNamara are contacts for CGHS. Planning to change interview questions. Need to let youth know about the time commitment.
- Next Meeting: Feb 3rd @ 3:30PM

Community Outreach Committee

- Commissioner Clare do Ceu reported out to the city council expressing the YC’s appreciation and encouraged the council to utilize the YC in addition to the year-end report in June 2009.
- Commissioner Clare do Ceu shared the SROs data from high school student surveys.
- Commissioner Silva brought a comment card for all YC that is used to address the city council during their meetings.
- Next Meeting: Tentatively scheduled for Feb 9th @ 7-8:30

Special Projects Committee

- Proposed the Health & Wellness Festival to occur on June 13th at the Phoenix.
- Estimate approximately \$1500 to \$ 2000 for venue, security, headliner, sound, equip, tables, chairs, etc.
- Music inside venue, space for private physical and mental health screenings. Booths from local youth orgs and health providers outside on Keller Street. Propose to close off part of Keller Street.
- Approx time 1-6PM. Youth only event 18 & under.
- Fundraise or tickets to cover cost? YC decided to fundraise so that they festival would be free to youth.
- Next Meeting: Feb 5th @ 4:30

New Business

Youth Commission Tools

- Youth commission logo redesign proposed
- Youth commission recruitment flyer redesign proposed

Old Business

Health & Wellness Festival Work Session

Commissioners signed up to work on the following areas. The Special Projects and events committee will notify the commissioners or the next steps.

Adjourn at 8:15PM

Commission Chair Yoshioka motioned to adjourn. Commissioner Faur seconded the motion.