

MINUTES OF THE **PASO ROBLES YOUTH COMMISSION**

Wednesday, May 2, 2007

Location: School District Board Room, 800 Niblick Road, Paso Robles

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order by Chairperson Hartmann at 3:20 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Members present: Rodia Bragg, David Kingsbury, Genesis Bell, Jannelle Watson, Sonia Slavinski and Elora Hartmann
Absent: Ryan Allison, Will Dahlen, Yessika Godoy and Nick Gut
City staff present: Charlotte Gorton, Judy O'Neal, Suzanne Robitaille, Julie Dahlen, Annie Robb, Kris Bell, and Vicky Jeffcoach
City Council rep: Gary Nemeth
City Council absent: Frank Mecham

CONSENT AGENDA

1. A motion was made by Chairperson Hartmann, seconded by Member Bragg, to approve the Minutes of the March 7, 2007 meeting - motion passed.
There was no April meeting due to spring break.

BUSINESS ITEMS

2. **Guest Speaker**
 - Suzanne Robitaille, Library Volunteer Coordinator, gave a brief presentation about her life and how she became Library Volunteer Coordinator. She discussed how our Volunteer program works and how popular it is. Suzanne also talked about the teen Volunteer Program, as well as the new teen art show called Brushmarks.
3. **College 101 Update**
 - Charlotte Gorton, Recreation Services Manager, passed out flyers for the September 15 - College 101 Workshop to be held from 1-5 p.m. at Centennial Park for students in the 8 to 12 grades.
 - Lee Perkins has also been working with Charlotte to promote this workshop and getting school support. On June 5, Elora and Sonia have agreed to be guest speakers on KPRL Radio to advertise this event and again in September.

4. **Youth Commission – Seven Vacancies**

- We have five vacancies on the Youth Commission and received only three applications to date. We need help recruiting a few more applicants by the filing deadline of Friday, May 4, 2007 at City Hall.

5. **Ad Hoc Committee updates**

Advocacy

- Member Bragg and Annie will meet on May 14 to review the yearly wrap-up to the City Council. Rodia will give a presentation at the May 15 meeting.

Events

- During spring break, Will Dahlen called members to organize the Children's Day flag football at Barney Schwartz Park. He wants the Youth Commissioners to be captains and schedule this event sometime in June.

Community Service

- Julie Dahlen, Library Services Manager, discussed the food drive conducted during spring break at Food For Less. A few Youth Commissioners worked to collect two barrels of food that was donated to the Paso Robles Food Bank.
- The Special Olympics was also discussed for May 4 in San Luis Obispo.

CITY COMMUNICATION/REPORTS

- Annie Robb, Director, advised the Department has been working on budget requests to be ready by July 2007. City staff received an orientation meeting about the City Council adopted steps for future water use in the city. We are gearing up for the Library and Recreation 2007 summer activities.
- Kris Bell, Children Services Librarian, gave input about the Summer Teen Reading program.
- Charlotte advised we are hiring approximately 30 young people for our Summer Aquatics program. We also have two job openings in the Recreation Division. You can pick up applications on line or at City Hall.
- Councilman Nemeth advised on May 12 there will be an F18 Fly-In at the Warbird Museum at the Paso Robles Airport. Regarding the Youth Commission recruitments, he encouraged all Youth Commissioners to submit questions to assist the City Council for the interview panel. Think about your years of experience on the Youth Commission and present questions pertinent to being a good participant. Please email your questions to Annie Robb at arobb@prcity.com. within the next few weeks.

UNSCHEDULED MATTERS/TEEN ISSUES

- June is the last meeting. We will have refreshments.
- Member Bragg discussed the "ride your bike to school" campaign on May 18. We will be discussing global warming in our Advisement Class on May 30.

ADJOURN

- A motion was made by Member Slavinski, seconded by Bragg, to adjourn the meeting at 4:25 p.m. – motion passed.
- Adjourn to the next regular meeting on Wednesday, June 6, 2007, at 3:15 p.m., at the School District Board Room, 800 Niblick Road, Paso Robles.

THESE MINUTES WERE APPROVED BY THE YOUTH COMMISSION AT THEIR 6/6/07 MEETING.

Respectfully submitted, Judy O'Neal, Administrative Assistant

Youth Commission Minutes of 5/2/07