

MINUTES OF THE PASO ROBLES YOUTH COMMISSION

Wednesday, March 3, 2010

School District Board Room, 800 Niblick Road, Paso Robles

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Chairman Tseng called the meeting to order at 2:33 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Members present: Salomé Jansen Von Rensburg, Lulu Tseng, Tyrian Khan-White, George Hernandez, Kyle Elliott, Alan Blevins, Nikita Kinsell, Paul Cleland, C.J. Prusi, and Cameron Holt
Absent: Nicki Fabian and Arianna Meleandez
City staff present: Charlotte Gorton, Judy O'Neal, and Vicky Jeffcoach
City Council present: Nick Gilman
Absent: Duane Picanco
Guest(s): Mike Maaser, Water Supervisor for Public Works and Dominic Jones, Video Journalist

CONSENT AGENDA

1. It was moved and seconded by Elliott/Von Rensburg, to approve the Minutes of the February 3, 2010 meeting - motion carried.

BUSINESS ITEMS

2-a. Guest

- Charlotte Gorton, Recreation Services Manager, introduced Dominic Jones, a Video Journalist, who works with web based community news. Dominic recently moved back to Paso Robles and is a 2004 graduate from Paso Robles High School. Dominic is doing a video and story of the Paso Robles Youth Commission and interviewed a few Commissioners after the meeting
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2-b. Guest Speaker

- Mike Maaser, Public Works - Water Yard Supervisor, has worked for the City since 1980 (30 years) in the Water Department. He explained the importance of math, science, algebra, and computers classes that are needed for this line of work. Mike

- handed out a paper showing some of the math figures staff work with, talked about tests, and explained the process of obtaining certification. He also shared some of his experiences while working for the city.
3. **Youth Commission Recruitment**
- Charlotte advised there are five (5) vacancies at the end of the 2010 school year. She will email the Advisory Committee application to all members and is asking each person to bring in a potential member to fill their vacancy. If you know of any one who is interested in applying, the application deadline is April 30, and interviews will be in May 2010. Applications can also be picked up at Centennial Park and City Hall.
4. **April Meeting**
- Charlotte discussed April meeting falls during spring break. Charlotte took a vote of two dates in April. After the vote and confirmation with the School District, it was moved and seconded by Elliott/Cleland to re-schedule the next meeting to Wednesday, April 21, 2010 at 2:30 p.m. – motion carried.

AD HOC COMMITTEE UPDATES

Members met for 15 minutes and then gave updates as follows:

Community Service

- Member Elliott advised he volunteered at the Chocolate Fantasia event at Centennial Park on Friday, 2/26, with approximately 150 in attendance with a live band.
- After discussion, plans were made to clean up Sherwood Forest Park on Wednesday, March 31 at 10 a.m. Vicky will bring orange vests, garbage bags, and pickers.
- Charlotte advised some of the upcoming events are:
 1. Kite Fest at Barney Schwartz Park - April 17
 2. Earth Day - April 18
 3. Fishing Derby at Barney Schwartz Park - April 24
 4. Monster Skate at Pioneer Park - April 24, and
 5. Balloon Fest at River Oaks - April 24

Community Awareness

- Member Von Rensburg invited all Youth Commissioners to go on KPRL Sound-Off radio station to talk about the Youth Commission on Monday, March 29, from 12:30 – 1 p.m. Please arrive early around 12:15.
- Members Von Rensburg and Fabian will be checking with Good Times Restaurant about staying open later on Friday and Saturday nights for teens. They would like to go to Templeton and Atascadero to let them know about this venue and invite the teens to participate, if interested.

Events

- Member Hernandez talked about hosting a “Teen Fun Night” event at Centennial Park gymnasium on Friday, June 4, from 6-10 p.m. We are planning a dodge ball tournament, play pool, Wi games, and air hockey with prizes for the winners. We plan to have music playing and food for a minimal fee.

CITY COMMUNICATION

Charlotte Gorton, Recreation Services Manager, discussed the City's budget. If you are interested in a summer job, the City is doing their annual aquatic recruitment and interviews will be during spring break.

Council Gilman stated Mayor Picanco is absent because he has health problems and is at Stanford for tests. He also briefly discussed the City's budget.

Vicky Jeffcoach, Recreation Coordinator, talked about the Lakers trip which is full for March 21 with a wait list. The annual Father/Daughter Ball is May 1st at 6:30 p.m. at Centennial Park. We are planning a Marti Gras theme parade in the parking lot and will have a live band. We usually sell out with 200 participants with youth, teens, dads and grandparents. We will use Youth Commission volunteers, and if you are interested, please contact Vicky.

UNSCHEDULED MATTERS/TEEN ISSUES

Member Cleland was at the Tuesday, March 2, City Council meeting. He reported:

1. There was a large group in attendance to support putting in a Dog Park in Paso Robles.
2. City Council discussed the budget crisis.
3. The Paso Robles High School low CST scores were also discussed.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved and seconded by Von Rensburg /Cleland, to adjourn the meeting at 3:42 p.m. - motion carried.

Adjourn to the next regular meeting on **Wednesday, April 21, 2010 at 2:30 p.m.**, in the School District Board Room, 800 Niblick Road, Paso Robles.

NOTE CHANGE IN THE DATE FOR THE APRIL MEETING DUE TO SPRING BREAK

THESE MINUTES WERE APPROVED BY THE YOUTH COMMISSION AT THEIR 4/21/10 MEETING

Respectfully submitted by secretaries: Alan Blevins and Judy O'Neal