

**APPROVED MINUTES
CITY OF MILPITAS
YOUTH ADVISORY COMMISSION**

Minutes: Regular Meeting of the Youth Advisory Commission
Date of Meeting: Thursday, December 10, 2009
Time of Meeting: 7:00 p.m.
Place of Meeting: 1325 E. Calaveras Blvd. Milpitas Sports Center

A. ROLL CALL

Chair Sandhu called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm.

Commissioners/Alternates Present

Richard Albana, Celine Cacho, Lovin Cortez (7:12pm), Patricia Do, Dilpreet Khalsa, Sareen Sandhu, Jennifer Shen, Christina Bruce (#2), Darren Lim (#3), and Diana Tran (#4)

Commissioners Absent

Samuel Lai, Luqman Munir and Isaiah Emanuel Rigmaiden-Daniels

City Council Present:

Debbie Giordano. City Council Liaison

City Staff Present:

Samu Tiumalu, Program Coordinator

B. SEATING OF ALTERNATES

Chair Sandhu sat Christina Bruce for Lovin Cortez, Darren Lim for Samuel Lai and Diana Tran for Luqman Munir

C. FLAG SALUTE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION to approve the minutes from Thursday, November 12, 2009 meeting.

M/S: Do/Cacho **Ayes:** All

E. PUBLIC FORUM

F. ANNOUNCEMENTS

G. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION to adopt the agenda for the Thursday, December 10, 2009 meeting.

M/S: Do/Tran **Ayes:** All

H. OLD BUSINESS

1. Adopt-A-Spot

Chair Sandhu suggested canceling the December 11 clean up due to inclement weather.

MOTION to cancel the December 11 park clean up.

M/S: Do/Lim **Ayes:** All

2. Neighborhood Services & Education Subcommittee update

Program Coordinator Tiumalu reported that the City Council accepted the Request for Proposal (RFP) application for the use of the Sal Cracolice facility. All interested groups will need to submit a completed application by Monday, January 11, 2010. Program Coordinator Tiumalu reported that he would provide another update at the next meeting.

3. Milpitas' Got Talent

Chair Sandhu reminded the commission that there would be subcommittees for each element of the event to make sure everyone is involved with the event. After much discussion, the commission made a motion to have the auditions on Saturday, April 24 and May 1 at the Milpitas Teen Center from 12:00-5:00pm. The May 1 date would be a make-up date for those that couldn't attend the April 24 audition date.

MOTION to hold the Milpitas' Got Talent auditions on Saturday, April 24 and May 1 from 12:00-5:00pm at the Milpitas Teen Center (1325 E. Calaveras Blvd).

M/S: Khalsa/Shen **Ayes:** All

I. NEW BUSINESS

1. Teen Service Days

Commissioner Khalsa discussed the idea of setting a day and proclaiming it as an office day for teens to service the community. Commissioner Tran suggested holding the day around Earth Day to create projects for teens to participate in. After much discussion, the commission decided to create a subcommittee to work on ideas for the Teen Service Day and bring it back to the January meeting. The subcommittee will consist of Chair Sandhu, Vice Chair Shen and commissioners Khalsa and Tran.

MOTION to create a subcommittee to work on the Teen Service Day event.

M/S: Do/Cacho **Ayes:** All

2. Goals for term 09/10

Chair Sandhu provided the new commissioner's with an overview of previous goals, activities and events that the commission has worked on. As a goal for this year, she suggested creating a forum to communicate with teens in the community such as a Comment Box at the Teen Center and/or creating an email link on the commission's page on the City's website so teens can let the YAC know of issues that youth are facing. Council member Giordano recommended using the Milpitas Post or the Milpitas High School Union paper to advertise the meetings and upcoming events/activities. She requested the commission to look into ad space costs and report back at the next meeting. She would then approach the Finance Subcommittee to see if she can allocate money for the ad space. Commissioner Tran suggested doing a fundraiser event to help

the Milpitas Unified School District with the budget cuts that are affecting the students. Vice-Chair Shen suggested partnering with the Read to Succeed book drive to help create awareness of the program and to help students to succeed in reading. Council member Giordano suggested bringing back the monthly article written by the YAC in the Milpitas Post. Commissioner Khalsa volunteered to be the "Reporter" and write brief overviews on the monthly meetings to be submitted to the Milpitas Post.

Chair Sandhu asked for this item to be reagendaized for further discussion.

MOTION to reagendaize this item for the January 14, 2010 meeting.

M/S: Shen/Lim **Ayes:** All

J. OTHER BUSINESS

1. City Council Liaison Report

Council Member Giordano reported she was appointed to the Budget Task Force to help the City find ways to reduce cost and generate more revenue through the City services. She reported they are working hard to find ways to balance the budget.

2. Staff Report

Program Coordinator Tiumalu reported that the Milpitas Teen Center will be holding the Club Fat Sam's dance on Saturday, December 19 from 7:00-10:00pm with a \$3 admission. He reported local DJ SoulOne would be providing the music for the event.

3. Future Agenda Items

- Milpitas Got Talent
- Adopt-A-Spot
- NSE update
- Teen Service Days
- Goals for term 09-10

K. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chair Sandhu adjourned the meeting at 7:49 pm to the meeting on Thursday, January 14, 2010, at 7:00 pm at the Milpitas Sports Center.

Respectfully Submitted,
Samu Tiumalu
Youth & Teen Coordinator