Minutes: Regular Meeting of the Youth Advisory Commission
Date of Meeting: Thursday, May 14, 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 7:03 pm.

Commissioners/Alternates Present
Sareen Sandhu, Lovin Cortez, Dilpreet Khalsa, Jennifer Shen, Patricia Do, Audrey Frey and Samuel Lai (7:15pm)

Commissioners Absent
Richard Albana, Ryan Ng, Brian Leon, Anthony Vu and Celine Cacho

City Council Present:
Debbie Giordano, Councilmember

City Staff Present:
Samu Tiumalu, Program Coordinator

B. SEATING OF ALTERNATES
Chair Sandhu sat Audrey Frey for Richard Albana

C. FLAG SALUTE
The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
MOTION to approve the minutes from Thursday, April 9, 2009 meeting.
M/S: Do/Ng Ayes: All

E. PUBLIC FORUM
Rob Means from the Sunnyhills Neighborhood Association distributed information to the Youth Advisory Commission on the PRT Crossing as Yosemite and Curtis. He would like the Youth Advisory Commission to consider supporting the project.

F. ANNOUNCEMENTS

G. ADOPTION OF AGENDA
MOTION to adopt the agenda for the Thursday, May 14, 2009 meeting.
M/S: Do/Cacho Ayes: All
H. OLD BUSINESS
1. Milpitas’ Got Talent evaluation
   The commission discussed the Milpitas’ Got Talent events and came up with a few improvements for next year. Chair Sandhu suggested creating small subcommittees to focus on a few key elements to improve the variety of acts, promotions and decorations. Commissioner Frey suggested increasing marketing efforts. The commission would like to hold the event again in May 2010. Program Coordinator Tiumalu will check on available dates and report back to the commission.

2. Teen Survey
   After reviewing the completed surveys, the commission decided that it wasn’t a good sampling. After much discussion, the commission would like to explore the option of hosting a focus group meeting to receive input from the teens in the community.
   
   MOTION to reagendaize the item for the July 9 meeting.
   M/S: Do/Lai
   Ayes: All

3. Youth Advisory Commission Selection Process
   The commission reviewed the previous questionnaire and made some slight changes to the wording. After much discussion, the commission decided to move forward with having a brief description of the commission and 5 questions.
   
   MOTION to approve the supplemental questionnaire.
   M/S: Do/Cacho
   Ayes: All

I. NEW BUSINESS
   None

J. OTHER BUSINESS
1. City Council Liaison Report
   Councilmember Giordano apologized to the commission for missing the Milpitas’ Got Talent show. She reported that the City Council approved a 16% increase to water rates. She informed the commission that Honda would be coming to Milpitas and plans to open in August/September. Giordano stated the clothing store Forever 21 at the Great Mall is doing an expansion and scheduled to open in early June.

2. Staff Report
   Program Coordinator Tiumalu reported the Teen Center will be closed for staff in-service training the week of June 15-17 and would reopen for summer programs on Thursday, June 18. He also reported the Teen Center will be operating with summer hours Monday-Saturday 12-9pm.

3. Future Agenda Items

K. ADJOURNMENT
   There being no further business, Chair Sandhu adjourned the meeting at 7:25 pm to the meeting on Thursday, July 9, 2009, at 7:00 pm at the Milpitas Sports Center.
Respectfully Submitted,
Samu Tiumalu
Youth & Teen Coordinator