

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

Minutes: Regular Meeting of the Youth Advisory Commission
Date of Meeting: Thursday, January 8, 2009
Time of Meeting: 7:00 p.m.
Place of Meeting: 1325 E. Calaveras Blvd. Milpitas Teen Center

A. ROLL CALL

Chair Sandhu called the meeting to order at 7:06 pm.

Commissioners/Alternates Present

Sareen Sandhu, Ryan Ng, Dilpreet Khalsa, Jennifer Shen, Patricia Do, Audrey Frey, Samuel Lai, and Celine Cacho

Commissioners Absent

Richard Albana, Brian Leon, Lovin Cortez, Anthony Vu and Katherine Pita

City Council Present:

Debbie Giordano, City Councilmember

City Staff Present:

Samu Tiumalu, Program Coordinator

B. SEATING OF ALTERNATES

Chair Sandhu sat Audrey Frey in place of Richard Albana, Samuel Lai in place of Brian Leon and Celine Cacho in place of Lovin Cortez.

C. FLAG SALUTE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION to approve the minutes from Thursday, December 11, 2008 meeting.

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

E. PUBLIC FORUM

F. ANNOUCEMENTS

G. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION to adopt the agenda for the Thursday, January 8, 2009 meeting.

M/S: Ng/Lai **Ayes:** All

H. OLD BUSINESS

1. Milpitas' Got Talent

Program Coordinator Tiumalu distributed draft flyers for the auditions and the event. There were no changes made and the commission approved the flyers. The subcommittee then discussed marketing the auditions and created a list consisting of businesses that attracted teens. Chair Sandhu reminded the commission that once flyers were printed each commissioner would be responsible for distributing the flyers to their assigned location. The commission also discussed having Chair Sandhu and Vice-Chair Ng emcee the event. Chair Sandhu also requested assistance in securing judges for the talent show. Chair Sandhu announced Council Member Giordano will participate as the judge and is in need of 2 other judges. Program Coordinator Tiumalu informed the commission he will recruit 2 other judges for the event. The subcommittee informed the commission they would be providing an update at the February 5 meeting.

MOTION to approve the audition and event flyer to be sent to print.

M/S: Frey/Lai **Ayes:** All

2. Adopt-A-Spot

The commission decided to adopt Cardoza Park as their spot. The commission will conduct monthly visits to do trash pick up, painting of benches (as needed) and will report any large concerns to staff. A finalized work plan will be distributed at the March meeting for further discussion.

MOTION to adopt Cardoza Park for the Adopt-A-Spot program.

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

3. Teen Survey

The subcommittee reported they were unable to bring the survey for the commissions review. They reported that a survey was created and is similar to those on the Survey Monkey website and will bring a print out at the next meeting. The commission then discussed ways of distributing the survey either through emails, face to face or mailings. Some of the commissioner's thought emailing the survey would attract a larger return and some thought face to face would provide more usable information for the commission. The commission then discussed using Facebook as a way to distribute the survey as well as help advertise the Milpitas' Got Talent event. Program Coordinator Tiumalu voiced his concerns of possible violations of the Brown Act by using the Facebook website. Council Member Giordano suggested allowing the commission to create an event listing on Facebook to see if it would work. Program Coordinator Tiumalu informed the commission he would agendaize the Facebook item to be discussed at the next meeting. After much discussion, the commission decided to reagendaize the Teen Survey item to review the survey questions.

MOTION to reagendaize the Teen Survey item to review the survey questions.

M/S: Frey/Lai **Ayes:** All

I. NEW BUSINESS

None

J. OTHER BUSINESS

1. City Council Liaison Report

Council Member Giordano reported that the City Council approved the Farmer's Market to return to the India Community Center location. She also stated they approved a 1 acre park in the downtown area of Milpitas. She reminded commissioners of the Library Grand Opening that would take place on Saturday, January 10 at 10:00am and the upcoming Commissioner's Recognition scheduled for Saturday, April 4, 2009.

2. Staff Report

Program Coordinator Tiumalu announced that the Teen Center would have adjusted hours starting January 5 (Monday-Friday from 2:00-7:00pm). He also reported the Teen Center would be hosting the "Reason 2 Rock" break dancing event on Saturday, January 31 from 7:00-10:00pm at the Milpitas Sports Center.

3. Future Agenda Items

- Milpitas' Got Talent show
- Teen Survey
- Facebook

K. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chair Sandhu adjourned the meeting at 7:57 pm to Thursday, February 5, 2009, at 7:00 p.m. at the Milpitas Sports Center.

Respectfully Submitted,
Samu Tiumalu
Youth & Teen Coordinator