

MINUTES OF THE YOUTH ADVISORY BOARD
CITY OF PEORIA, ARIZONA
DEVELOPMENT AND COMMUNITY SERVICES BUILDING
APRIL 10, 2018

A **Regular Meeting** of the Youth Advisory Board of the City of Peoria, Arizona was convened at 9875 N. 85TH Avenue in open and public session at 6:37 p.m.

Members Present: Maylee Acosta, Cassidy Gatrost, Matt Billings, Marin Clark, Leah Gilbertson, Brighton Greathouse, Greg Helt, Allison Jasper, Frank Johnson, Cailet Popelier, Savana Rodriguez, Maria Stump, Tayler Wing

Members Absent: Micah Aviles-unexcused, Nicholas Benedict-unexcused, Kaitlyn Edwards-unexcused, Michael Helt-excused, Tristan Marsitto-unexcused, Madelyn Stuckey-unexcused

Municipal Officials Present: George Colebrook-Recreation Superintendent and Selena Ferreira-Administrative Assistant

Audience: 0

Presentation: None

Note: The order in which the items appear in the minutes is not necessarily the order in which they were discussed at the meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA: All items listed with a "C" are considered to be routine by the Youth Advisory Board and were enacted by one motion.

MINUTES:

1C Discussion and possible action to approve/excuse members absent from the February 13, 2018 regular meeting.

2C Discussion and possible action to approve the minutes of February 13, 2018.

A motion was made by Savana Rodriguez to approve the consent agenda; the motion was seconded by Brighton Greathouse and the motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **PlanetPalooza Event by Lisa Estrada**

Official Earth Day is April 22nd. City of Peoria hosting festival on April 21, 2018 from 4-8pm at Westwing Park. Lisa seeking volunteers to help with booths, reptiles, water runs, bathroom breaks, etc. Lisa also seeking models to create and participate in the Recycled Fashion Show by WHAM (What's Happening Arts Movement). This would also be a good way to earn service hours for school. Please reach out to friends and fellow students. Lisa would like all RSVP's by April 17th. Flyers were left. No action taken.

2. **Tobacco Free Presentation by Bertha Adame**

Program Manager Diane Burkett came in place of Bertha Adame. A slide show was given and she spoke about the program. The FDA Office works with teens ages 15-17 to help catch vendors selling tobacco and related items to minors. The volunteer must complete an application, will work about 3-4 hours after school on random days and gets a small stipend. Their office does provide letters of recommendation for all volunteers. Applications and a sign-up sheet were passed around. Diane also mentioned a similar program for alcohol through the City of Phoenix. No action taken.

3. **Relay for Life Event Wrap-up**

Group raised \$820.10. Councilmen Michael Finn and Carlo Leon to also donation to the cause. Currently in 10th place but with council donations they could move to 1st place. Those who participated were Maylee, Cassidy, Allison, Madelyn, Savana and her family, George and his family. George provided pizza and popcorn. Day was long but worth it and they had fun. Stories and sharing was very inspiring. At night, lights were turned off and glow sticks were used. No action taken.

4. **Arizona's Youth Commission Leadership Day Participation**

George had a slide show prepared on the Governor's Office of Youth, Faith and Family event May 4, 2018, 9-3pm at GCU (Grand Canyon University). Cassidy attended last year and explained to others what it was. Workshops, teambuilding and a great way to connect with others. Az League of Cities to attend. Email George by April 13th if interested in going. No action taken.

5. **Council Liaison Nominations**

No applications received. Deadline extended to April 15, 2018. Allison urged members to apply. Maylee expressed her thoughts and said it was a good experience. Liaisons commit to a 1-year term. Applications will be sent out again. May need to hold another meeting to discuss nominations. No action taken.

6. **Year-End Potluck**

Potluck became more of an outing and teambuilding. Many suggestions were given such as bowling, a day at Lake Pleasant, BBQ at the park, lock-in at Rio Vista. This

event to occur in June. A motion was made by Marin Clark to move forward with the planning of this youth board activity; the motion was seconded by Savana Rodriguez and the motion carried unanimously. Action taken.

7. **Reports from Lunch with Council**

Marin reported 7 to 8 students showed up, along with Vice Mayor Jon Edwards and Council Assistant Terri Smith. Discussion at Glendale Preparatory Academy School included land development. No action taken.

8. **Reports from Committees**

Youth Government Day – Cassidy reported the date change from April to September. New ideas included K9 demonstration with the Police, stations where others could hear what you do, mock council meeting and obstacle course with Fire Department.

Community Services – Matt expressed concern for kids who do not get their free meals (ie: holidays, school not in session) and wants to reach out to local groups to get involved in and give aid.

CALL TO PUBLIC (NON-AGENDA ITEM): None

Reports from Staff:

Streaming City Council Meeting – George encouraged board to view meetings on Facebook or YouTube.

Shred-A-Thon – George said there was another event happening this Saturday, April 14, 2018 at Horizon Community Church from 9-11am. Two volunteers are needed. Cassidy and Leah both raised their hands. Councilman Leon gave a special thanks to those who participated in his shred-a-thon event.

Reports from Board: Leah starting a non-profit, Cailet playing cello at Valley Youth Theatre, Maria getting a 3-day weekend due to testing at school, Matt reminding everyone to get registered to vote, Cassidy now certified in CPR & AED, Maylee won in FBLA at school, Frank in 3 different shows, Allison said her trip to DC was great, Savana wanted to thank the board on her grandmother's behalf for participating in the Relay for Life Event.

ADJOURNMENT: Being no further business to come before the board, the meeting was duly adjourned at 8:28 p.m.

Maylee Acosta, Chair

Selena Ferreira, Administrative Assistant