

MINUTES OF THE YOUTH ADVISORY BOARD
CITY OF PEORIA, ARIZONA
PEORIA SPORTS COMPLEX
COLONNADE ROOM
JULY 31, 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 9:00 a.m.

Members Present: Cassidy Gatrost, Leah Gilbertson, Nikhila Basana, Liam Beltram, Tyrin Clay, Katie Fazio, Juliette Garcia, Frank Johnson, Ashley Lopezlira, Cailet Popelier, Madelyn Stuckey, Maria Stump

Members Absent: Marin Clark-excused, Brighton Greathouse-unexcused, Greg Helt-unexcused, Shaan Patel-unexcused, Savana Rodriguez-excused, Tayler Wing-excused

Municipal Officials Present: Erik Strunk-Deputy City Manager, Jon Edwards-Councilman, Chris Hallett-Director Director of Neighborhood and Human Services, Kelli Kincaid-Deputy Director of Neighborhood and Human Services, Dawn Prince-Manager of Neighborhood and Human Services, Kathleen Kresl-Youth Programs Supervisor, Adam Johnson-Recreation Coordinator, George Colebrook-Recreation Superintendent and Selena Ferreira-Administrative Assistant

Audience: 1

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 July 10, 2018 regular meeting.

2C Discussion and possible action to approve the minutes of July 10, 2018.

A motion was made by Leah Gilbertson to approve the consent agenda; the motion was seconded by Cailet Popelier and the motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Chair and Staff Comments and Introductions

Board members in attendance went round-table and introduced themselves by name, grade and a fun fact about themselves. Attending city officials also introduced themselves by name, title and a fun fact. No action taken

2. Team Building Exercise

Fun games and activities were played to help get to know one another. Such games like Roll the Dice & Answer the Question and what three items you would take to a deserted island. Members also broke into groups of four to build the tallest tower using dry spaghetti and marshmallows. No action taken

3. Review of Mission and Scope of Youth Advisory Board

George Colebrook reviewed these aspects in detail. He discussed the mission, by-laws, survey results, youth master plan and collected ideas from members. Erik Strunk asked to clarify “youth councils” and Jon Edwards asked what the board expected from leadership. Cassidy Gatrost defined “youth councils” as other sister-city youth boards and commissions. She answered Mr. Edwards saying, “We’d like to have city council attend our YAB meetings to gain insight from them and how they see the YAB”. Mr. Colebrook distributed copies of the Youth Master Plan and gave a brief overview of what it was. Currently the YMP is six years old. Does it need updating? No action taken

4. Presentation by City Attorney’s Office on Open Meeting Laws

City Attorney David Benton gave a slide-show with major bullet points on “OML’s”. Information such as: 1) open meeting law is public business 2) it’s the people’s way to know what government is doing 3) when in doubt, err on the side of openness. New rule just came into effect is one must write down who voted which way (name and how they voted). At the end of the presentation, there was Q & A discussion with the board. No action taken

5. Review of Survey Results

George Colebrook reviewed survey results via a graph presentation. Data was compiled from 17 of 22 existing members plus a few new members too. Overall, the results were positive. No action taken

6. Upcoming Agenda Items

George Colebrook created a “parking lot” system where board members wrote down suggestions on sticky-notes and posted them onto a larger paper hanging on the wall. Some suggestions included: 1) how to spread the word on special/current events 2) hosting another job fair but adding on to it 3) college help 4) mental health awareness 5) improve community. No action taken

7. Develop Work Plan

The “parking lot” system was utilized once more to gather ideas on specific topics. Liam Beltram wants more students involved, 8th grade too. Possible coordinate with NJHS and STUCO groups at the high schools. Caillet Popelier wants to know what other youth councils are doing. Jon Edwards reminded the board of their unique positions; the only one in Arizona to have youth sit on the dais. He says the YAB is important and the voice of all youth. No action taken

CALL TO PUBLIC (NON-AGENDA ITEM): None

Reports from Staff: None

Reports from Board: None

ADJOURNMENT: Being no further business to come before the board, the meeting was duly adjourned at 12:05 p.m.

Cassidy Gatrost, Chair

Selena Ferreira, Administrative Assistant