

CITY OF PEORIA, ARIZONA  
APRIL 8, 2014

A **Regular Meeting** of the Youth Advisory Board of the City of Peoria, Arizona was convened at 9875 N. 85<sup>TH</sup> Avenue in open and public session at 6:31 p.m.

**Members Present:** Ian Mullane, Thomas Prior, Lorraine Barker, Annalee Boyle, Joie Duplessis, Michael Helt, Holden Jacobs, Jacob Jelinek, Matthew Marquez, Kalima Nameth, Dominique Peterson, Arriq Reams

**Members Absent:** Hamza Amjad-unexcused, Christopher Camacho-unexcused, Tyler Crump-unexcused, Elizabeth Gonzalez-unexcused, Erin Madonia-unexcused, Madison Mendoza-unexcused, Sean Proia-unexcused, Emily Sarbacker-unexcused

**Municipal Officials Present:** John Edwards-City Council, John Sefton-Community Services Director, Kevin Naughton-Teen Supervisor 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 February 11, 2014 regular meeting.**

**2C Discussion and possible action to approve the minutes of February 11, 2014 regular meeting.**

A motion was made by Thomas Prior to approve the consent agenda; the motion was seconded by Dominique Peterson and the motion carried unanimously.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. **Youth Council Liaison Application**

Kevin distributed applications to all. Due May 9, 2014. Jacob encouraged board to apply says it's very interesting position, helps build connections, there's public interaction. Thomas agreed and added it's more interesting when you're part of it; sitting with Council, getting in-depth topics. Council Member Edwards also encouraged board to spread the word at school and among friends. He invited all to attend the April 22, 2014 meeting. Expecting 200 people in attendance.

2. **Youth Partner Network**

Kevin recapped the event; topic was about Safety, about 35 people attended (many from school district, school board, private businesses) had 3 guest speakers and lunch was catered by Java Grounds. Recommendations for next year would be to include safety on water, fire, and playground. Next YPN meeting to be held at Rio Vista Rec Center, tentatively end of July and will focus on Access-Financial and Transport.

3. **Congressional City Conference Follow-up**

Kevin showed slides of the trip, board members and places they visited. Members who attended spoke on the different places they went, who they met, monuments they saw and what they learned.

4. **City Boards & Commissions Youth Liaison Program**

Kevin handed-out rough draft of the application. First year this will be treated as a pilot program and ran through the Youth Advisory Board. Open to all youth. Kevin will draft duties, roles, etc. for board to review and discuss at next month's meeting.

5. **Youth Government Day**

Ian reminded board to begin spreading the word on school campus and reach out to their teachers. Event to be held on April 24, 2014. Order of daily events was slightly re-arranged, Buca di beppo tentatively catering event, town hall discussion to take place during lunch, Ian to emcee, Thomas and Jacob to speak. Possibly discussion topics include drug awareness, skate pads, bullying, safety issues, budget. Jacob suggested changing caterers to Java Grounds. John Sefton suggested 1 Step Beyond. Kevin to call other options for availability, price, menu. Previewed sample of shirts, colors either pink or black. Members names to possibly appear on the sleeve. By a show of hands black was preferred over pink by 1 vote.

A motion was made by Thomas Prior to approve the shirts to be black with white lettering; the motion was seconded by Lorraine Barker and the motion carried unanimously.

6. **Council Liaison Update**

Thomas mentioned the topic over the last few weeks has been primarily about budgets. Where it comes from, where it goes, priorities, the whole processes from beginning to end and noted very pro economic development right now.

**CALL TO PUBLIC (NON-AGENDA ITEM):** None

**Report from Staff:** Kevin urged board to recruit for new members. Also mentioned volunteer opportunities at upcoming Easter Event.

**Report from Board:** Lorraine plugged her fashion show at Centennial High School, April 17<sup>th</sup>, 7pm. Thomas reminded board of multi-cultural event taking place at City Hall on April 12<sup>th</sup> and Party for the Planet event on April 26<sup>th</sup>.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Being no further business to come before the board, the meeting was duly adjourned at 7:49 p.m.

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Ian Mullane, Chair

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Selena Ferreira, Administrative Assistant