

MINUTES
YOUTH ADVISORY COMMISSION
CITY OF MILPITAS

Minutes: Meeting of the Youth Advisory Commission (YAC)
Date of Meeting: Thursday, April 8, 2021
Place of Meeting: Via Teleconference (Virtual Meeting).

Saili Karkare called the meeting to order at 7:04pm.

A. Roll Call

Committee Members Present:

Saili Karkare, Saniya Shrotriya, Andrea Liu, Fengyi Huang, Aruna
Doreswamy

Committee Member Alternates Present:

Rachel Plummer and Nidhi Kaki

Committee Members Absent:

Tejas Balebail and Meghana Ambalathingal

City Staff Present:

Staff Liaison, Anthony Teschera
Staff Liaison, Rosana Cacao
Recording Secretary, Justin Yount

City Council Liaison Present:

Councilmember Chua

B. Seating of Alternates Nidhi Kaki and Rachel Plummer

C. Pledge of Allegiance Chairperson Karkare led the Commission in the Pledge of
Allegiance.

D. Approval of Agenda **Motion** Approve, April 8, 2021 Agenda
M/S: Liu/Huang Ayes: All

E. Approval of Minutes **Motion** Approve, March 12, 2021 Minutes
M/S: Liu/Doreswamy Ayes: All

F. Announcements/Correspondence
None

G. Public Forum
None

H. Business Items

1. YAC Social – City Staff

Staff Teschera informed Commission that they have been registered for the YAC Social which will take place on Friday, April 9th at 4pm. Commission is encouraged to attend the event as this is an opportunity for other Youth Advisory Commissions to come together and discuss youth based information, various needs, opportunities, and/or concerns. Staff will send registration and zoom information following meeting.

2. Work Plan Events 2020-21

a. Film Competition – Shrotriya, Plummer, and Karkare

Staff has reached out to the Art's Commission for additional panelists. Commissioner Shrotriya has updated outline and event flyer with event info, rules, deadlines, etc. Staff suggested outline and flyer consolidation that will summarize content as well as an added hyperlink to page/info with event specifics. Commissioner Shrotriya will edit with provided suggestions and Staff will send final to Marketing staff. Event scheduled for May 15th.

Motion to approve Commissioner Shrotriya's flyer with suggested edits.

M/S: Liu/Huang

Ayes: All

Prizes for event will consist of Amazon gift cards. There will be four prizes total/two for each category.

Motion to approve \$25 (2) for 1st place and \$15 (2) for 2nd place.

M/S: Shrotriya/Huang

Ayes: All

b. Mental Health Awareness – Liu, Kaki, and Doreswamy

Commissioner Liu spoke with NAMI representative confirming breakdown of event exercises that will take place. Final flyer was displayed for Commission review. Flyer will be sent out via email and will target MHS students. Staff has encouraged Commission to focus on getting information out to target audience for event that will take place on April 21st virtually through zoom.

c. Teen Center Events - Shrotriya, Doreswamy, and Ambalathingal

Due to the Pandemic, the Commission has decided to provide Milpitas Teens with care packages to be picked up by students that will focus on helping students through finals week. Packages will consist of hot cocoa/tea packets, chocolate, positivity notes and stress reliever balls. It was suggested to add a study tips pamphlet to care package list. Date and time were finalized for package distribution as well.

Motion to distribute care packages on May 28th from 4pm-6pm with added study tips pamphlet.

M/S: Doreswamy/Shrotriya

Ayes: All

- d. Tobacco Free Communities – Tejas and Plummer
Commissioner Plummer provided extensive research and statistics which identified all the risks and consequences associated with tobacco use and vaping with additional resources as requested. A central doc has been suggested for information compiling and as a quick reference tool for Commission.

I. City Council Liaison Report

Councilmember Chua provided updates on City Council items.

J. Future Agenda Items

Subcommittee reports

K. Adjournment

There being no further business, Chairperson Karkare adjourned the meeting at 7:49pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Justin Yount
Recording Secretary