



CITY OF MILPITAS

Youth Advisory Commission

MEETING MINUTES

6:02 pm

Thursday, April 11, 2024

40 N. Milpitas Blvd. Milpitas, CA 95035

CALL TO ORDER Chair Huang called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. Chair Huang called roll.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Chair Crystal Huang, Vice Chair Nia Gupte, Commissioners Vanessa Lam and Parnika Sadhu

ABSENT: Commissioner Ashton Chen, Nitya Kaki, Ayanna Medina-Ashby, Srinand Mudunuri, and Vienna Sun

City Liaison: Councilmember Hon Lien

City Staff: Vince Collantes – Program Coordinator
Ming Chen – Public Service Assistant

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Chair Huang led the pledge of allegiance.

ALTERNATE SEATING Commissioner Sadhu to be seated as an alternate.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA **MOTION** to approve the Agenda for April 11, 2024.
M/S: Huang/Gupte **AYES:** All

APPROVAL OF MINUTES **MOTION** to approve the Minutes for March 14, 2024.
M/S: Huang/Lam **AYES:** All

PUBLIC FORUM No comments were made from the public.

ANNOUNCEMENTS The Commissioner's Recognition Dinner will be hosted at the Milpitas Community Center from 6-8 p.m. on Thursday, April 25.

BUSINESS ITEMS

A. 2024 Youth Leadership Summit: Student Wellness Presentation

Recommendation: Receive presentation.

The Commission received the presentation from the Office of Children and Families Policy with the County of Santa Clara.

B. Spelling Bee Competition

Recommendation: Review and recap the competition and what improvements can be made for the future.

The Commission discussed and shared their experiences of the Spelling Bee Competition. Some points the Commission agreed on:

- Lowering the difficulty of the word list for grades first through third
- Standardize pronunciation of words from the judges
- Prepare participation certificate prior to the competition
- Look at the possibility of procuring more iPads and microphones
- Look at the possibility of ticket sales prior to competition
- Include a portion to thank the judges/volunteers

C. Art Competition

Recommendation: Receive updates from ad hoc committee.

The Commission and Staff have tentatively decided that the Art Competition's theme is mental health, with one winner chosen from a physical artwork and one winner chosen from a digital artwork.

The Commission and Staff decided to move the competition to next school year due to time constraints.

MOTION to move the Art Competition to the 2024-25 school year.

M/S: Huang/Gupte

AYES: All

D. Youth Advisory Commission Community Service Scholarship

Recommendation: Finalize and approve application. Begin promotion of scholarship.

The Commission agreed the word count limit for each question is 250.

MOTION to approve the YAC Community Service Scholarship application's word count limit of 250 for each question.

M/S: Huang/Lam

AYES: All

LIAISON REPORT

A. Report from City Staff

Staff shared with the Commission of the Milpitas Youth Force and upcoming Teen Center events.

B. Report from City Liaison

Councilmember shared with the Commission of City events, with an emphasis on Black April Commemoration.

UPCOMING AGENDA

YAC Community Service Scholarship application review.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Huang adjourn the meeting at 6:25 p.m.