



## Minutes Mayor's Youth Advisory Commission December 12, 2017

Minutes of the MAYOR'S YOUTH ADVISORY COMMISSION (MYAC) held on Tuesday, December 12, 2017 6:30 p.m., at the Tempe Public Library 3500 S. Rural Road, Tempe, Arizona.

**(MEMBERS) Present:**

Aerowyn "Piper" Allen  
Jose Bernal Martinez  
Hayden Eastwood  
Natalie Edgington  
Bhavanapriya Giridar  
Noble Harasha  
Regan Hatch  
Liam Huggins  
Carter Miller  
Clara Moffitt  
Alissa Montano  
Alexia Moreno  
Emma Moriarty  
Amber Price  
Synthia Ramos  
Aviva Sanchez  
Roberto Sandoval

**(MEMBERS) Absent:**

SaTavia Chest  
Juliet Farr  
Andrea Lara Romero  
Nandini Mishra  
Sophia Price  
Safiyah Zubair

**City Staff Present:**

Mary Mezey, Social Services Supervisor  
Adrian Cascio, MYAC Advisor  
Mark Mitchell, Tempe Mayor

**Guests Present:**

Student, Kristen Pigon

**Agenda Item 1 – Call to Order**

MYAC Chair, Hayden Eastwood called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m.

**Agenda Item 2 – Attendance Roll Call**

The members stated their presence.

### **Agenda Item 3 – Mayor’s Welcome and Remarks**

Mayor Mark Mitchell welcomed the MYAC commissioners and shared his experience as a former MYAC member. Mayor Mitchell asked the MYAC commissioners to share what it means to them to be on MYAC and what some of their duties were. Furthermore, Mayor Mitchell gathered information on what the youth enjoyed about Tempe and discussed initiatives and services provided to Tempe residents.

### **Agenda Item 4 – Public Appearances**

MYAC Advisor Cascio gave the following announcements: proposing that Hillary Cummings, member of the Tempe Coalition, speak about her work and interest in potential MYAC collaboration. Committee members voted to add Hillary to the next meeting’s agenda.

Social Services Supervisor Mary Mezey also introduced herself to the group.

### **Agenda Item 5 – Review and Approval of Minutes – November 28, 2017**

MYAC Youth Town Hall Chair, Clara Moffit read the minutes from the November 28, 2017 meeting. Commissioner Liam Huggins noted errors under agenda item 8.

**Motion:** Commissioner Synthia Ramos moved to **APPROVE** the minutes as amended.

**Second:** Motion seconded by Commissioner Emma Moriarty

**Decision:** Minutes unanimously **APPROVED** as amended

### **Agenda Item 6 – Chair’s Remarks**

None at this time.

### **Agenda Item 7 – Community Service Project Planning Discussion**

MYAC Advisor, Adrian Cascio asked the Commissioners what they would like to do for this year’s community service project. Some of the ideas suggested by the commissioners include:

- Donation to Voice for Casa
- Feed my Starving Children
- Revitalization of the Community Garden
- Supporting the Maricopa County Animal Shelter
- Assisting low-income students
- Enforcing recycling in apartment buildings
- Creating a recycling awareness program
- Helping teenagers with depression through animal therapy

MYAC Youth Town Hall Chair Clara Moffit, communicated her desire for this year’s community service project to have a lasting impact. Commissioner Liam Huggins brought up the need for development in South Tempe.

### **Agenda Item 8 – 2018 Youth Town Hall Planning Discussion**

MYAC Youth Town Hall Chair, Clara Moffitt addressed the group about adult co-facilitators. She also disseminated information about the revised invitations for this year. The group provided suggestions for content and approved the revised invitation. Next, the group discussed food planning and reviewed concerns with last year’s food choice.

Commissioner Synthia Ramos agreed that we should go with submarine sandwiches and suggested a submarine sandwich place. Commissioner Liam Huggins, acknowledged the hassles with a food truck, but admired its quality. Commissioner Aviva Sanchez expressed her desire for variety. Commissioner Alissa Montano also expressed her desire for a different caterer. The Commissioners then discussed what items they desired to run the Youth Town Hall well, such as tablecloths and balloons; multiple Commissioners commented continuing the use of the “Banana Suit” for the hype people. Commissioner Liam Huggins added that various people would be needed to provide various perspectives on the topics. Commissioner Alissa Montano discussed what objects and hype people would be necessary. However, Commissioner Liam Huggins stated his desire for hype people who do not cut off discussion. Furthermore, the Commissioners stated their breakfast preferences.

**Agenda Item 9 – Future Agenda Items – January 9, 2018**

- **Tempe Coalition Presentation - Hillary Cummings**
- **Youth Town Hall Planning**
- **Community Service Project Planning**

**Meeting adjourned at 7:31 p.m.**

Next meeting will be on January 9, 2017.

Minutes Prepared by: Carter Miller, Administrative Recorder

Minutes Reviewed by: Adrian Cascio, Sr Social Services Coordinator, MYAC Advisor

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Hayden Eastwood, Chair  
Mayor's Youth Advisory Commission

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