



Minutes Mayor's Youth Advisory Commission January 26th, 2021

Minutes of the MAYOR'S YOUTH ADVISORY COMMISSION (MYAC) held on Tuesday, January 26th, 2021, 5:00 p.m., virtually.

(MEMBERS) Present:

Eleanor Buchta
Shea Catero
Shalae Clemens
Sabrina Dagher
Denzel Higiroy
Tyler Johnson
Kaylee Joshlin
Katie Lim
Jack Masche
Ben Moriarty
Ruben Palmerin
Siri Pattipati
Liliana Pearson
Sofia Piraino
Surabhi Sajith
Devynn Thurston
Melanie Valdez
Sjaahn Washington
Mariam Zubair

(MEMBERS) Absent:

Issyss Kelly
Brooke Kirk
Kristen Pigon
Rachel Russell

City Staff Present:

Adrian Cascio, MYAC Advisor
Braden Key, Office of Sustainability
Alberta Balbueno, MYAC Intern

Agenda Item 1 – Call to Order

Vice Chairperson, Sjaahn Washington, called the meeting to order at 5:17 pm.

Agenda Item 2 – Attendance Roll Call

Surabhi Sajith read the attendance roll call.

Agenda Item 3 – Public Appearances

Braden Kay from the Office of Sustainability spoke to MYAC members and subcommittees about the implementation of the Cool Kids, Cool Places program for the City of Tempe. He explained the program's purpose and what MYAC students can do to support the initiative.

Agenda Item 4 – Review and Approval of Minutes- January 12, 2021 Meeting

Jack Masche read the minutes from the January 12, 2021 meeting.

Motion to approve the meeting minutes for January 12, 2021. Motion passed on a 19-0 vote.

Ayes: Commissioners- Eleanor Buchta, Shea Catero, Shalae Clemens , Sabrina Dagher, Denzel Higiros, Tyler Johnson, Kaylee Joshlin, Katie Lim, Jack Masche, Ben Moriarty, Ruben Palmerin, Siri Pattipati, Liliana Pearson, Sofia Piraino, Surabhi Sajith, Devynn Thurston, Melanie Valdez, Sjaahn Washington, Mariam Zubair
Absent: Commissioners- Issyss Kelly, Brooke Kirk, Kristen Pigon, Rachel Russell

Agenda Item 5 – Communications Update

Denzel Higiros, communications chair, provided an update on the MYAC newsletter. The newsletter will include sections for MYAC updates, youth leadership opportunities/events, student comments/questions, and motivational/inspirational quotes. There may also be an updated video with current MYAC members.

Agenda Item 6 – Subcommittee Updates

Each subcommittee (Youth Diversity and Inclusion, Youth Emotional Well-Being, Environmental Sustainability, Youth and Police Engagement, and Youth Professional Development) provided a brief overview of current projects as well as city partners.

Agenda Item 7 – Future Agenda Items

- Feb 23rd: City of Tempe's Park and Recreational group to receive MYAC input about plans for the Tempe Beach Park
- "Together Ending Racism" Event
- Subcommittee updates

Meeting adjourned at 6:04 pm.

The next meeting will be on February 9th, 2021.

Minutes Prepared by: Surabhi Sajith, Administrative Recorder

Minutes Reviewed by: Adrian Cascio, MYAC Advisor

Issyss Kelly, Chair

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