



San Mateo County Youth Commission



In light of COVID-19, this meeting was held virtually.

REGULAR MEETING Minutes

Thursday, September 23, 2021
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Community Agreements

1. Representation
2. Equality
3. Integrity
4. Unity
5. One mic, one voice
6. Respect all people
7. Engaged members
8. Leadership and empowerment
9. Flexible and open to other perspectives
10. Collaborate with other organizations
11. Understand value of diverse lived experiences
12. Include youth in conversations that impact them
13. Keep needs of youth in San Mateo County above personal interests
14. Question decisions and resist complacency
15. Commitment to policies that foster diversity, equity, and inclusion

1. Call to Order

2. Roll Call

3. Public Comment

Katie Andrew, Children Now- Presentation on bill with children's hospital foundation

- Aim to put in place call for action- process that looks at how the state can eliminate racial disparities in childhood chronic diseases: depression, diabetes, vaping related diseases, dental diseases
- Stakeholder possibility for SMYC commissioners
- Sign on campaign: <https://www.childrennow.org/blog/fight-for-equity-in-childrens-health/>

4. Approve Agenda (Action)

- Buify motion, Ahmed second motion
- No abstentions

5. Presentation

Cari Pang-Chen, Local Community Builder- Purpose, Action, & Change

- Introductions (Subcommittee Review of Visions and Workplans)
- Focus of session: What's your purpose, clarifying the issue, generating solutions, taking action and implementing sustainable change
- Finding your purpose
 - Defining/Clarifying your purpose
- Defining your role, connection with others, generating solutions

- Role, Structure, Fundraising & Accounting
- Typical Roles/Responsibilities in a club or organization
- Communication & Organization
- Meeting or Event Planning
 - Components of a good meeting
 - Effective Meeting Notes
- Build support for your efforts
 - Time, talent, Treasure
 - Get over the fear of asking
 - Fundraising & Friendraising
 - How to Make the Ask
- Recruit & care for your volunteers
- Questions:
 - Incorporating equity work into events and meetings? Think about who you are going to engage, meetings should be inviting and engaged (use language that will work for everyone and have representation), pick volunteers who will plan the event this way

6. Review & Approve Resolution on Sexual Assault

- Statistics on sexual assault
- Youth Commission of San Francisco- sexual assault task force which drafted resolution
- Sexual assault prevention and response is a community problem
- Action points
 - Encourage commission members to condemn all perpetrators and stand with victims
 - Test rape kits within 48 hours of receiving them
 - SFPD police reports, victim healthcare
 - SFPD victims only interact with trauma-trained professionals
 - SFPD held accountable for following laws regarding sexual assault
 - SF school district training on sexual harassment and assault
- No current youth commission draft- use San Francisco's template as foundation
- Health and wellness subcommittee focused? Or the whole commission?
- No timeline
- Open discussion: who in SMYC is interested in working on resolution? Working with Commission on the Status of Women? Penelope and Cate spearheading with Health and wellness committee?

7. Committees' Activity

- Subcommittee breakouts discussing 9 prompts from Cari Pang-Chen's presentation
- Discussion on Sophia's Resolution

8. Boards and Commissions Liaison Updates

- Board of Education - Still in application process
- Commission on Disabilities - Zayne is now Liaison
- Commission on the Status of Women - interested in Sexual Assault Resolution from Sophia (No meetings yet)
- Domestic Violence Council- No meetings yet
- First 5 - No meetings yet
- JJDPC- No meetings yet
- MHSARC- Heard reports, behavioral health commission as new name?, Davis Louis award, one liaison position available
- LGBTQ, Parks, MHSARC- Liaisons needed

9. Committee Updates

- a. Civic Engagement- Vote 16, County office of elections
- b. Education & Economic Development- Equitable education, civics class, identified stakeholders
- c. Environmental Justice- Reconnecting with districts that passed declaration last year, working with county office of education to create climate action template that would be shared with district, hosting conference with guest speakers from multiple organizations, providing youth opportunities to network with them, identified possible partner
- d. Health & Wellness- Conference planning on Mental Health, created survey to be sent to youth, master list of school counselors
- e. Immigrant Youth- yearly scholarship and how to expand, use of social media, additional meeting dates
- f. Transformative Justice- Peer court in San Mateo county, research into school officers, continue ethnic studies requirement

10. Announcements

- Saturday 4:30 PM state legislative forum discussing climate and urban policy- <https://baylibayarea.wixsite.com/bayarea/general-6>
- Individual commission members are interested in working on resolution contact Ellie and Saba

11. Adjournment

Next Meeting: October 14, 2021

Public records that relate to any item on the open session agenda for a regular or special meeting of the Youth Commission are available for public inspection. Those records that are distributed less than 72 hours prior to the meeting are available for public inspection at the same time they are distributed to all members, or a majority of the members of the Commission. Those public records are available to be sent electronically by emailing edallman@smcgov.org.

IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE CALIFORNIA GOVERNMENT CODE AND THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT: The meetings of the Youth Commission are accessible to individuals with disabilities. Contact Ellie Dallman at edallman@smcgov.org as soon as possible prior to the meeting, if (1) you need special assistance or a disability-related modification or accommodation, including auxiliary aids or services, in order to participate in this meeting; or (2) you have a disability and wish to receive the meeting notice, agenda packet or other writings that may be distributed at the meeting in an alternative format. Notification in advance of the meeting will enable the Youth Commission to make reasonable arrangements to ensure full accessibility to this meeting and the materials related to it.