



## SIMI VALLEY YOUTH COUNCIL

Tuesday, November 15, 2016, 5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.  
Simi Valley Senior Center  
3900 Avenida Simi

### AGENDA

*\*Special Meeting Location*

1. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance/Welcome
2. Agenda Review  
This is the time to reorder and/or remove items from the agenda by consensus of the Youth Council. Any individual member who will be abstaining from a discussion item should announce his/her intentions at this time.
3. Approval of Minutes
4. Correspondence
5. Public Statements/Comments  
This is the time allotted for statements or comments on matters within the subject matter and jurisdiction of the Youth Council. Statements and comments are limited to no more than five (5) minutes per speaker.
6. Continued Business
  - a. Discussion of Youth Council Work Plan
  - b. Discussion and Selection of Committees to Address the 2016-17 Youth Council Work Plan
7. New Business
  - a. Discussion of Holiday-inspired Youth Council Team Building Activity
  - b. Discussion of Youth Council Team Building Activity at the Iceoplex Simi Valley
  - c. Discussion and Selection of 2017 Youth Summit Community Service Project
8. Representative Reports  
Youth Council Reports and Comments  
This is the time for Youth Council members' statements or comments on matters within the subject matter and jurisdiction of the Youth Council or to request a future agenda item. This is also the time to make any announcements related to community events and other items of interest.
9. Coordinator's Report



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10. Adjournment: Tuesday, December 6, 2016, 5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m., \*Simi Valley Senior Center, Room 106.

/s/  
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Anna M. Medina  
Deputy Community Services Director

\*Please note change in meeting location.

If any interested individual has a disability that may require accommodation to participate in this meeting, please contact the Youth Council Coordinator at (805) 583-6766. Upon advance notification, reasonable arrangements will be made to provide accessibility to the meeting.

DRAFT MINUTES

1. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance/Welcome

Youth Council Chair Emily Ramirez called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m., and Secretary Zalma Quezada took attendance verifying that a quorum was present.

2016-17 Youth Council Members					
Selection Districts		Members-At-Large			
P	Keyla Pech-AHS	P	Humna Ahmad	P	Aaron Williams
P	Leah Nohrenberg -RHS	P	Gurvardaan Bal		
P	Emily Ramirez -RHS	P	Denise Gonzales	Alternates	
P	Prachi Patel -SSHS	P	Timothy Ho	A	Ryan Rosenstein
P	Zalma Quezada -SSHS	E	Elizabeth Lopez	P	Yue Dan Chen
P	Nick Judge-SVHS	P	Phoebe Ruiz	V	Vacant
P	Shanaya Sidhu -SVHS	P	Adrian Schemm	P = Present E = Excused A = Absent V = Vacant	
P	Ashley Zook-HMS	E	Lindsay Scholbrock		
P	Ziren Mo - SMS	P	Natalie Smith		
P	Aditya Gaiki-VVMS	P	Anushka Vakil		
*Arrived after approval of the minutes					

Staff: Kristin Tignac, Youth Council Coordinator.

Guests: Students James Chu and Pranav Krishnamoorthi.

2. Agenda Review

There being no objections, the agenda was approved as presented.

3. Approval of Minutes

**ACTION:**

A motion to approve the October 18, 2016, minutes as written was made by Leah Nohrenberg and seconded by Aditya Gaiki.

**Youth Council vote: 19 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Abstentions**

**The motion passed unanimously.**

4. Correspondence

Ms. Tignac announced that she had received Rancho Simi Recreation and Park District sunglasses that they had left-over from the Living Green Expo event to give out to Youth Council members.

5. Public Statements/Comments

Santa Susana High School student Pranav Krishnamoorthi introduced himself and greeted the Youth Council.

6. Interface's Programs for Youth by Erin Locklear, MFTI, Clinical Manager, Interface Children & Family Services

Erin Locklear, MFTI, Clinical Manager with Interface Children and Family Services gave a brief presentation on services and resources available to youth ages 12 to 21 years old, specifically support services for youth at risk of running away from home, homeless youth, or youth having general issues with family. They offer a 24-hour a day, seven days a week Youth Crisis Line at (805) 469-5882.

Other services they provide, include crisis intervention, family mediation, case management and after care, emancipation information, life skills/youth development activities, and shelter assessment.

7. Continued Business

a. Discussion of Youth Council Work Plan

Youth Council members completed a second brainstorming activity to further address issues of concern to youth raised during the October 18, 2016, Youth Council meeting.

Due to time constraints, Chair Emily Ramirez recommended continuing the discussion of this agenda item to the November 15, 2016, Youth Council meeting. There were no objections.

b. Selection of Top Seven Preferred 2017 Youth Summit Motivational Speakers

Youth Summit Committee Vice Chair Leah Nohrenberg stated that the Youth Summit Committee had previously met and discussed the option to select the top fifteen preferred Youth Summit motivational speakers. After a brief discussion and vote, the Youth Council selected the following individuals as its top fifteen preferred 2017 Youth Summit motivational speakers to present to the Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation and Institute staff; Demi Lovato, Bethany Hamilton, Shailene Woodley, Cody Jones, Houston Kraft, Julianne Hough, Simone Biles, Alyssa Rossi-Hicks, Shaun White, Amelia Rose Earhart, Vernice "Flygirl" Armour, Aimee Mullins, Alex Morgan, Cuba Gooding Jr., and Lynn Manuel.

**ACTION:** A motion to approve the top fifteen preferred 2017 Youth Summit motivational speakers as presented above was made by Aaron Williams and seconded by Nick Judge.

**Youth Council vote: 20 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Abstentions**  
**The motion passed**

8. New Business

Discussion and Selection of Committees to Address the 2016-17 Youth Council Work Plan

Due to time constraints, Chair Emily Ramirez recommended continuing the discussion of this agenda item to the November 15, 2016, Youth Council meeting. There were no objections.

9. Representative Reports

Nick Judge made a request to add a discussion of a possible holiday-inspired Youth Council team building activity to the November 15, 2016 Youth Council Agenda.

Aditya Gaiki announced that the Simi Valley Public Library would host a Winter Wonderland event from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., on December 10, 2016.

Prachi Patel stated the Zalma Quezada, Emily Ramirez, Phoebe Ruiz, and herself would be table hosts at the Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation and Institute's first annual Young Women's Leadership Summit on Saturday, November 19, 2016. Young women, ages 12 to 20, which are interested in attending the event, should go to <http://bit.ly/GirlsWhoLead> to sign-up.

Aditya Gaiki reported that he, Phoebe Ruiz and Natalie Smith volunteered and/or attended the Simi Valley Public Library's Halloween Spooktacular event on October 22, 2016.

10. Coordinator's Report

Ms. Tignac announced that the Simi Valley Youth Employment Service advisory Board was sponsoring a GFX Design Contest. Those interested in more information or submitting a GFX design before the December 16, 2016 deadline, were encouraged to visit [www.simivalley.org/2017GFX](http://www.simivalley.org/2017GFX).

Ms. Tignac stated that she was coordinating potential dates in January 2017 for a Youth Council team building activity of broomball at the Iceoplex Simi Valley.

Ms. Tignac reminded Youth Council members the City would be hosting a volunteer event called Guiding Compassion Through Volunteerism; A Showcase of Local Non-profits from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p., on Thursday, November 10, 2016.

11. Adjournment: Tuesday, November 15, 2016, 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., \*Simi Valley Senior Center

Youth Council Chair Emily Ramirez adjourned the meeting at 6:06 p.m.