

AGENDA
*Special Meeting Timeframe

1. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance
2. Welcome/Introduction of Youth Council Members
3. 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.
4. Approval of Minutes
5. Correspondence
6. 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.
7. Continued Business
 - a. Discussion of Suicide Prevention Campaign, including Awareness Event in Collaboration with the Simi Valley Public Library on Thursday, September 20, 2018
 - b. Discussion of Bullying Prevention Campaign, including Awareness Event in Collaboration with the Simi Valley Public Library on Thursday, October 11, 2018
8. New Business
 - a. Officer Duties and Election of Youth Council Officers
 - b. Selection of the 2019 Youth Summit Committee
 - c. Discussion of the Simi Valley Community Garden's Citywide Hunger Project @SocialFeed's Harvest Collection on October 6, 2018
 - d. Selection of Youth Council Representative to the Youth Employment Service Advisory Board
9. 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.



10. Coordinator's Report
11. Adjournment: Tuesday, September 18, 2018, ****4:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.**, City Hall Community Room. ****Please note special meeting time.**

/s/
Anna M. Medina
Deputy Community Services Director

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

Acting Youth Council Chair Nick Judge called the meeting to order at 4:34 p.m., and Acting Secretary Humna Ahmad took attendance verifying that a quorum was present.

Selection Districts		Members-At-Large			
P*	Charo Matos-AHS	P	Michelle Boland	P	Alexandra Thompson
P	Humna Ahmad -RHS	P	Shane Desilets		
P	Joshua Jiwanmall -RHS	P	Aditya Gaiki	Alternates	
P	Pranav Krishnamoorthi -SSHS	P	Parsa Karamat	P	Paige Barrella
P	Om Patel -SSHS	P	Annie Kroll	E	Grace Fausett
P	Nick Judge-SVHS	P	Riya Manimaran	P	Yicheng "Tobie" Zheng
P	Sneha Sundaram -SVHS	E	Chandler Nelson	P = Present E = Excused A = Absent V = Vacant	
P	Gaurav "Gary" Pandher-HMS	P	France Salvanera		
P	Delany James - SMS	P	Anna Sorensen		
P	Ashlyn Ro-VVMS	P	Nikhita Sundarapandian		
*Arrived after approval of the minutes					

Staff: David Yoshitomi, Community Services Manager; and Kristin Tignac, Youth Council Coordinator.

Guest: Ruth Luevanos.

2. Welcome/Introductions of Youth Council Members

Ms. Tignac welcomed the 2018/19 Youth Council. All members participated in a few brief icebreaker activities.

3. Agenda Review

The agenda was approved as presented.

4. Approval of Minutes

ACTION: A motion to approve the June 4, 2018, minutes as written was made by Shane Desilets and seconded by Sneha Sundaram.

Youth Council vote: 21 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Abstentions

The motion passed.

5. Correspondence

No correspondence was received.

6. Public Statements/Comments

No public statements or comments were made.

7. Informational Presentations

a. Youth Council Purpose, Goals, By-laws, Organization and Meetings

Ms. Tignac provided an overview of the Youth Council Purpose, Goals, By-Laws and Organization of the Youth Council and highlighted some of the Youth Council accomplishments to date.

Ms. Tignac also discussed the importance of the Youth Council's Work Plan in order to accomplish the Youth Council goals that members would set during upcoming Youth Council meetings.

b. Code of Ethics and Conduct for Elected Officials and Members of Appointed Boards, Commissions and Committees

Ms. Tignac gave a brief overview of the City's Code of Ethics and Conduct for Elected Officials and Members of Appointed Boards, Commissions and Committees, including its purpose, who it applies to and the ethical principles in the code.

8. New Business

a. Selection of the Youth Council Comments Presenter to City Council on August 27, 2018

Ms. Tignac discussed the requirements, responsibilities, and purpose of Youth Council comments presenters selected to speak to the City Council. Youth Council member Annie Kroll volunteered to present the Youth Council report to the City Council on August 27, 2018.

ACTION: A motion to approve Annie Kroll as the Youth Council presenter to the City Council on August 27, 2018 was made by James Chu and seconded by Pranav Krishnamoorthi.

Youth Council vote: 21 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Abstentions

The motion passed unanimously.

Action Item: Annie Kroll to send a draft speech to Ms. Tignac by 11:30 a.m. on Wednesday, August 22, 2018.

b. Discussion of Suicide Prevention Campaign, including Awareness Event in Collaboration with the Simi Valley Public Library on Thursday, September 20, 2018

Ms. Tignac gave a brief history and overview of the Youth Council's previous Suicide Prevention campaigns. She announced that the Youth Council had an opportunity to collaborate with the Simi Valley Public Library for a suicide prevention awareness event on Thursday, September 20, 2018. Members discussed type of events to host and agreed upon a Rock Painting event to allow students and community members an opportunity to paint rocks with positive messages on them and hide at schools or in the community.

Youth Council members also discussed creating banners with positive messages to be displayed on school campuses during September for Suicide Prevention Month.

ACTION: A motion to approve the Youth Council's Suicide Prevention campaign, including co-hosting a Rock Painting event from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., on Thursday, September 20, 2018, the Youth Council's participation at the September 17 City Council Meeting for the proclamation of September as Suicide Prevention Month, a banner campaign to be held at Simi Valley Unified School District schools to promote hope and help, and other positive messages via banners and hidden painted rocks was made by Anna Sorensen and seconded by Parsa Karamat.

Youth Council vote: 21 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Abstentions

The motion passed.

Action Items: The following members volunteered to reach out to the leadership advisors or school administration for authorization to hide rocks on campus the week of September 24, 2018, for suicide prevention campaign: Humna Ahmad, Delany James, Nick Judge, Pranav Krishnamoorthi, Charo Matos, Gaurav Pandher, and Ashlyn Ro. Shane Desilets would inquire about the use of the digital banner at Oak Park High School.

- c. Discussion of Bullying Prevention Campaign, including Awareness Event in Collaboration with the Simi Valley Public Library on Thursday, October 11, 2018

Ms. Tignac gave a brief history and overview of the Youth Council's previous Stop Bullying campaigns. She also announced the opportunity Youth Council had to co-host another anti-bullying event with the Simi Valley Public Library, Straight Up Ventura County and the National Bullying Prevention Center on October 11, 2018. Members discussed a variety of bullying-related issues to focus on during the event.

Members discussed organizing a Stop Bullying pledge banner at each middle and high school, along with having a booth at the Free Clinic of Simi Valley's annual 5k/10k fun run and Community Health Expo on October 13, 2018. Members discussed the color of yarn to use as the gift for those that sign the pledge banners. Orange was the color that was selected by a hand vote.

ACTION: A motion to approve the Youth Council's Stop Bullying campaign, including co-hosting a Stop Bullying event from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., on Thursday, October 11, 2018, the Youth Council's participation at the September 17 City Council Meeting for the proclamation of October as Stop Bullying Month, and a bullying prevention pledge banner campaign to be held at all Simi Valley Unified School District middle and high schools and the Free Clinic of Simi Valley's

annual Fun Run and Community Health Expo on Saturday, October 13, 2018 was made by Michelle Boland and seconded by Om Patel.

Youth Council vote: 21 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Abstentions

The motion passed.

Action Item: The following members volunteered to reach out to the leadership advisors or school administration regarding either receiving permission to do the pledge banners or to see if leadership or another club already has plans to organize the pledge: Delany James, Sneha Sundaram, Nikhita Sundarapandian, Alexandra Thompson, Charo Matos, Gaurav Pandher, Ashlyn Ro, and Tobie Zheng.

Action Items for the bullying prevention event on October 11, 2018:

- The following Youth Council members volunteered to contact their respective school's theater departments to gauge interest and request assistance with an interactive approach for the event: Paige Barrella, Michelle Boland, and Joshua Jiwanmall.
- Ms. Tignac to contact Straight Up Ventura County regarding a social change theater approach and the National Bullying Prevention Center to request co-hosting the bullying prevention event on October 11, 2018

9. Representative Reports

Youth Council Reports and Comments

Teen Crisis Resource Number Review Committee Chair Nick Judge reported that the committee had met on June 21, 2018 and reviewed all of the 2017-18 teen crisis resource numbers. The Committee made a few recommended revision, including replacing the national LGBTQ hotline with the Trevor Project's hotline that is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week..

10. Coordinator's Report

Ms. Tignac reminded all Youth Council members to turn in their signed paperwork before leaving the meeting.

Ms. Tignac congratulated and thanked the Social Media Committee's work developing content for the Youth Council Instagram account over the summer recess.

11. Adjournment: Tuesday, September 4, 2018, 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., City Hall Community Room. Please note the special meeting timeframe.

Acting Youth Council Chair Nick Judge adjourned the meeting at 6:32 p.m.