

MINUTES OF THE PASO ROBLES YOUTH COMMISSION

Wednesday, April 2, 2008

Location: School District Board Room, 800 Niblick Road, Paso Robles

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Vice-Chairperson Janelle Watson called the meeting to order at 3:19 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Secretary Bonnifield took roll as follows:

Members present: Michael McLean, Alex Bonnifield, Zoe Kingsbury, Jackie McReynolds,
Janelle Watson, Cindy Monterrosa, Yessika Godoy and Jared Kline
Absent: Will Dahlen, Rebecca Horne and Genesis Bell
City staff present: Charlotte Gorton, Vicky Jeffcoach and Judy O'Neal
City Council rep: Gary Nemeth
Guest: Caryn Jackson

CONSENT AGENDA

1. It was moved and seconded by Bonnifield/McLean, to approve the Minutes of the March 5, 2008 meeting. Motion carried.

BUSINESS ITEMS

2. Guest Speaker

- Caryn Jackson, who is an Information Systems Web Specialist, gave a presentation about her daily job duties with the city. Caryn's main job is to maintain the City's website, keeping it up-to-date with current information and deleting the old, while conforming to new technological needs. Other responsibilities are working with staff and learning the new recreation online registration program that will go live on April 25, establishing a website to promote tourism, and other city projects.
- Caryn explained that in our society a person always needs to continue their education after college, take refresher courses in their field, and learn a new trade to make yourself a valuable asset in your job.

3. Safe Jobs for Youth Month

- Charlotte Gorton, Recreation Services Manager, explained Mayor Mecham sent this information to the Youth Commissioners to realize the importance of job safety in the

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teen work force. After discussion, it was moved and seconded by Watson/Bonnifield to send a Resolution to the City Council proclaiming May as Safe Jobs for Youth Month. Motion carried.

4. **California Children's Outdoor Bill of Rights**

- Charlotte reported on the ten things California's children should be able to do outdoors by the completion of their 14th year that are listed in the California Children's Outdoor Bill of Rights. After discussion, it was moved and seconded by Bonnifield/McLean to support the California Children's Outdoor Bill of Rights. Motion carried.

5. **Online Recreation Registration**

- Charlotte reported that as of April 25, 2008 you will be able to go online to register for any of the programs and activities offered in the Library & Recreation Summer Activity Guide. The new online registration program is contracted through Activenet.

AD HOC COMMITTEE UPDATES

Community Service (*Bell, Kingsbury, McReynolds, Monterrosa, and Watson*)

- The following three members volunteered to work at Chocolate Fantasia: Janelle Watson, Genesis Bell, and Cindy Monterrosa.
- The following four members volunteered at the school's Almond Blossom Festival: Janelle Watson, Zoe Kingsbury, Genesis Bell, and Cindy Monterrosa.

Advocacy/Publicity (*Bonnifield and Kline*)

- Charlotte thanked all members for representing the Youth Commission by attending bi-monthly City Council meetings.

Events (*Dahlen, Horne, and McReynolds*)

Dodge Ball Tournament and Guitar Hero Competition:

- Vicky Jeffcoach, Recreation Coordinator – Youth & Teens, passed out flyers, posters, and applications for members to take to the high school to promote this event and take sign-ups. Members discussed event pricing, application form for the Guitar Hero competition, and the application form for the Dodge Ball six-man team. This event is for 9th through 12th grades only. Charlotte advised the completed application form and money should be taken to Centennial Park.
- Members signed up to work in the quad area of the high school during lunch time. Vicky will try and stop by to pick up the applications and money. If not, drop the money and forms off at Centennial Park. Do not hold on to them.

College 101 Workshop

- Vicky passed out a flyer for members to take to school to advertise the College 101 workshop in September. We want to let students know about this before the end of the school year. All Youth Commissioners are needed to work at this event in registration and at the front desk. Even if you graduate, you can come back and help, if possible.

CITY COMMUNICATION/REPORTS – No comment

UNSCHEDULED MATTERS/TEEN ISSUES

- Charlotte discussed our next meeting will be at 3:30 p.m. (not 3:15 p.m.) at the Children’s Museum located at 623 Thirteenth Street in Paso Robles. Rodia Bragg, who was a Youth Commissioner last year, is working there and has volunteered to give the Youth Commissioners a tour of the facility.
- Secretary Bonnifield asked about advertising the upcoming Youth Commissioner vacancies and job applications. Charlotte explained the application process and that members need to help recruit for seven (7) vacancies. Applications are available online at www.prcity.com and upstairs at City Hall, 1000 Spring Street. Deadline to submit an application is Friday, May 30, at 5 p.m. upstairs City Hall.

ADJOURN

- Vice-Chairperson Watson adjourned today’s meeting at 4:27 p.m.
- Adjourn to the events ad hoc meeting on 4/23/08 at 3:15 p.m. at Centennial Park, and
- To the next regular meeting on Wednesday, May 7, 2008, **3:30 p.m.**, at the **Children’s Museum, 623 Thirteenth Street**, in Paso Robles.

THESE MINUTES WERE APPROVED BY THE YOUTH COMMISSION AT THEIR 5/7/08 MEETING.

Respectfully submitted by secretaries: Alex Bonnifield and Judy O’Neal