

**MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
YOUTH ADVISORY COMMISSION
TEEN CENTER
5107 ASTOR AVENUE, COMMERCE, CALIFORNIA**

MONDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2017 AT 7:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Rodriguez at 7:05 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
AND INVOCATION**

Commissioner Arroyo led those present in the salute to the flag and invocation.

ROLL CALL

Chairperson	Rodriguez
Vice Chairperson	Sainz
Commissioner	Arroyo, Rivera, Trandafir
Absent	None

**WELCOME/INTRODUCTIONS
PUBLIC COMMENT**

City of Commerce Teen Librarian Erik Jackiw reported on the following Library Services items:

10/3 - Teen Advisory Group/Book Club Meeting, 6 p.m. at Rosewood Park Library

10/10 – Author Poet Visit, 6 p.m. at Rosewood Park Library

10/14 - Commerce Comic Con, 10 a.m. at Rosewood Park Library, come dressed

11/1 - Day of the Dead, 5:30 p.m. at Bandini Library
Activity – Decorate sugar skulls

Mar 2018 – Book Festival

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairperson Rodriguez made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Scheduled Meeting of September 5, 2017, Commissioner Sainz seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

STRATEGIZE FOR AN ANTI-BULLYING EVENT

For the next meeting, the Commission decided that they would meet at an earlier time in order to brainstorm for an anti-bullying event.

COMMISSION MANUAL

The Commission was provided with the City of Commerce Commissioners Manual. A few key areas of the manual were addressed and then Ms. Blancarte instructed the Commission to review the manual and return if they have any questions.

TEEN ADVISORY GROUP

A commission member will attend a Teen Advisory Group meeting in order to discuss with them possible dates and times that a joint meeting can be held. The Commissioner will report back at the next Youth Advisory Commission meeting.

STAFF REPORTS

Teen Center Supervisor and Commission Liaison Lucinda Blancarte reported on the following:

9/26-10/1 Grease Play – This event was a great success. The music, props and the effort and talent that was provided by the youth was fabulous.

The Teen Center is in transition; the set for Grease is being removed and being replaced with Halloween decorations.

10/6 Rocktober - Space is available; the cost is \$25.00; this year's event will be held at Boomers, 3 p.m. – 12:30 a.m.

10/29 Day of the Dead at Bristow Park from 1-5 p.m.

10/31 Halloween Parade, at 6 p.m. at all Parks

10/28-31 Haunted House at the Teen Center

Nov. Annie Performance

COMMISSION REPORTS

Chairperson Rodriguez reported that with her college, she volunteered for 2 beach clean-up events at Bolsa Chica.

Vice Chairperson Sainz reported that her little sister started playing volleyball for Rosewood Park. She said that she attended the Commerce College Fair and was able to speak with her dream school, UC Santa Cruz. She also reported that she participated in the Commerce Deserves Better Clean-up Event at Bristow Park. She encouraged her YAC counterparts to get involved and volunteer at the next event because it was very rewarding.

Commission Arroyo reported that he attended the Fiestas Patrias event at Bristow Park. He said it was a nice event but he recommends that the set-up be moved to a different location in order to accommodate a larger crowd. Mr. Arroyo also shared that he attended the Concert in the Park. He said that the music was great and his favorite food truck was shaved ice.

Commissioner Rivera reported that she signed up for the Commerce Kids Read (CKR) Program. This program allows youth to volunteer at the library to help children improve in their reading ability. She also attended the College Fair and was impressed with how each school offered so many different programs. This helped her to realize that she needs to decide on a major so that she can chose a school that offers her program.

Commissioner Trandifur reported that he enjoyed helping the Teen Center with the “Grease” play. It was a great experience and a worthwhile commitment.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chairperson Rodriguez adjourned the meeting at 7:44 p.m. until November 6, 2017, at 6 p.m. at the Teen Center.