

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

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2018 AT 7:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chairperson Sainz at 7:04 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
AND INVOCATION**

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

ROLL CALL

Vice Chairperson	Sainz
Commissioner	Arroyo, Rivera, Trandifur

Absent	Rodriguez
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**WELCOME/INTRODUCTIONS
PUBLIC COMMENT**

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

2/7/18 Financial Aid Workshop & Commerce Scholarship
3/10/18 Commerce Read Book Festival
3/31/18 Annual Essay Contest Deadline

Mr. Jackiw shared that the Rosewood Library has a 3-D printer and there are many different items that can be created. All Commissioner's received bookmarks that were crafted on the 3-D printer.

Parks and Recreation Commissioner Laura Perez introduced herself to the Commission and offered her assistance. The Commission welcomed Ms. Perez and thanked her for her attendance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Vice Chairperson Sainz made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Scheduled Meeting of January 8, 2018, Commissioner Trandafir seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

STRATEGIZE FOR AN ANTI-BULLYING EVENT

The Commission continued to share ideas on how to implement an anti-bullying event. Retired Teen Center Supervisor Lucinda Blancarte provided the Commission with anti-bullying materials to review. The Commission discussed putting on skits and sharing inspirational stories. Parks and Recreation Commissioner Perez suggested that a survey be completed to determine interest/need. Senior Recreation Leader Magana suggested that this event be incorporated in to the pre-teen and youth Day Camp Programs during the summer season. Ms. Magana also shared that an event that focuses on those that are

being bullied can be more beneficial because they can be taught empowerment or learn where to go for help. She advised that providing this event to all three Day Camp's would capture a larger and currently served audience.

The Commission was advised that Mr. Marquez has directed staff to request funding and for Ms. Magana to meet with Community Services staff to work this event in to a current program.

MENTORING EVENT

The Commission continues to plan a mentoring event. They would like to hear from professionals in the science, history, engineering, economics and medical fields.

STAFF REPORTS

Senior Recreation Leader Liliana Magana reported on the following:

The Little Performers Group, which includes Unplugged, JR, Unplugged Dance and Unplugged Performers, has a total of 22 participants. She said that this program has grown in popularity and enthusiasm under the direction of Amber Chavez.

Currently, spring break programs and trips are being scheduled.

Valentines grams are being sold. The funds will go towards the pre-teen fundraising account.

The recruitment for the Teen Center Supervisor is ongoing.

COMMISSION REPORTS

Vice Chairperson Sainz reported that she has been accepted to Cal State Channel Islands, San Francisco State and Azusa Pacific University.

Commissioner Rivera reported that she has been very busy with school and recently submitted an application to volunteer with the Parks and Recreation Department.

Commissioner Arroyo reported that he went the City Birthday Celebration that was attended by many children. He also reported that he noticed holes in the ceiling at Veterans Park Gymnasium and he applied for Young Man of the Year.

Commissioner Trandafir reported that he is busy with school and is participating in a play called "The Center of the Universe" with a private theatre company called Project Theatre Group. This play focuses on bullying and they have performed at schools and on a military base.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Vice Chairperson Sainz adjourned the meeting at 7:51 p.m. until March 5, 2018, at 7 p.m. at the Teen Center.

