



MINUTES OF THE YOUTH LEADERSHIP COMMITTEE
Meeting of February 3, 2025

1) CALL TO ORDER

Called to order at 6:40 p.m. by Chairperson Valerie Gamboa.

2) ROLL CALL

Roll was taken by Secretary Angelica Gamboa.

Members Present: Jayden Brown, Jaeleen Casillas, Valeria Corona, Angelica Gamboa, Valerie Gamboa, Mikaela Olivia, Sophie Pantoja

Members Absent: Vanesa Doss, Scarlet Espinoza, Serenity Hernandez, Audrie Perez, Milana Ruiz

Staff: Wayne B. Bergeron, Community Services Supervisor/Executive Secretary
Paul Brascia, Community Services Program Coordinator II
Mia Cisneros, Community Services Program Leader I

3) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Committee Member Angelica Gamboa was called upon to lead the pledge.

4) ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Oral communications item was opened by the Chairperson. There were no members of the public to speak. Chairperson Gamboa then closed oral communications.

5) CONSENT AGENDA*

- a. It was pointed out by Chairperson Gamboa that the date for the approval of minutes for the meeting of January 6, 2025 was incorrectly identified as January 6, 2024. Staff responded that the minutes would reflect the corrected date.

Jayden Brown made a motion to approve the amended Consent Agenda item 5a. The motion was seconded by Valeria Corona. The vote was seven (7) yeas / zero (0) nays / two (0) abstentions. The item passed by unanimous vote.

6) EXECUTIVE SECRETARY REPORT – EXECUTIVE SECRETARY WAYNE B. BERGERON

Executive Secretary Wayne Bergeron gave a brief report on the upcoming volunteer opportunities:

- a. Presidents' Day Penny Carnival: It will be held on Monday, February 17, 2025 at Los Nietos Park from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. There is an opportunity for YLC members to assist with games and crafts.
- b. Spring Break Day Camp: Taking place March 24 – 28, 2025 at Little Lake Park from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Volunteers can assist day camp participants with crafts, help play games, and would be able to go on the field trip to the L.A. Zoo.
- c. Community Garden Clean-up: Will occur at the City's Community Garden adjacent the Aquatic Center on Saturday, April 5, 2025. Volunteers will assist with removal of weeds and cleaning & clearing of parcels.

Mr. Bergeron stated he would send out an e-mail to the YLC with specific dates, times, and locations of volunteer opportunities.

7) OLD BUSINESS – EXECUTIVE SECRETARY WAYNE B. BERGERON

There was no old business.

8) NEW BUSINESS* – EXECUTIVE SECRETARY WAYNE B. BERGERON

- a. The following YLC members volunteered to attend the City Council meetings to lead the Pledge of Allegiance:
 - *May 20* – Valeria Corona, Valerie Gamboa, and Mikaela Oliva
 - *June 17* – Jaeleen Casillas and Sophie Pantoja
- b. A brief conversation was had by members of the YLC and Mr. Bergeron on their experience with the YLC Retreat held January 17 – 20, 2025. The following are some remarks made by YLC members:
 - The focus on teambuilding was really appreciated. The relaxed setting helped get to know other members that they otherwise did not spend time with or knew very well.
 - The icebreakers were fun and helped to draw the members closer together.
 - The emphasis on better communication was really appreciated and the focus on recruitment to get new, younger members to succeed the seniors after they leave after next school year.
 - It was good to get out of their comfort zone and “hang out” with others.
- c. Mr. Bergeron informed the YLC that a presentation of the retreat would be given at the City Council meeting of February 18, 2025. He emphasized the importance of keeping the presentation very focused and brief. He would prepare the slideshow presentation and he needed one to two more presenters along with the Chairperson to speak at the meeting. Jayden Brown and Valeria Corona volunteered to do so. Mr. Bergeron asked for all YLC members to come to the Council meeting in support of the Committee and to show its appreciation to the City Council for its ongoing support of the retreat.

9) PRS PROGRAM UPDATES – EXECUTIVE SECRETARY WAYNE B. BERGERON

- a. T.E.E.N.S. & The CLUB – Mr. Bergeron turned the time over to Program Coordinator Paul Brascia. He encouraged the YLC membership to come out and be part of the programming that is taking place in The CLUB and for them to share their suggestions for new programs and events.
- b. Camps:
 - i. Mr. Bergeron reported that Spring Break Day Camp would be taking place March 24 – 28, 2025 at Little Lake Park. He also added that it would be an ideal volunteer opportunity, and he encouraged YLC members to volunteer one or two days that camp was in session.
- c. Family Fun Excursions:
 - i. Mr. Bergeron informed the YLC that there was still room to attend the family-friendly excursion to Exposition Park & California Science Center – February 22, 2025 and to register, they could contact the front office.

10) LIBRARY SERVICES PROGRAM UPDATES – LIBRARY REPRESENTATIVE

Due to no staff representation from Library Services, no program updates were given.

11) SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT

Vice-Chairperson reported that the Subcommittee will meet to consider activities/events to plan out for 2025, with the prospect of leading a park clean-up in April or May. They would report back in the YLC meeting of March 3.

12) PRESENTATION

There were no presentations.

13) FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

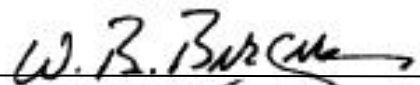
There were no items brought forward for inclusion in future agendas.

14) MEMBER COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Although no members of the YLC spoke, Mr. Bergeron used the time to inform the YLC about the Parks & Recreation Hiring Open House taking place on Saturday, February 15, 2025. He encouraged those who are 17 to come and see what a job in recreation looks like and to spread the word about this event with their friends and classmates. He also handed out flyers for Summer Hiring Fair on Saturday, March 8, 2025 and encouraged them to let others know about it and to use the QR code on the flyer to apply online.

15) ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned by Chairperson Gamboa at 7:18 p.m.



Prepared by: Wayne B. Bergeron, Executive Secretary