

MINUTES OF THE YOUTH LEADERSHIP COMMITTEE

Meeting of October 2, 2023

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Jilliana Casillas called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Executive Secretary Wayne Bergeron called the roll.

Members Present: Valerie Bojorquez, Jaelene Casillas, Jilliana Casillas, Vanesa Doss, Alan

Duque, Valerie Gamboa, Zulema Gamboa, Jisel Morales, Mikaela Oliva

Members Absent: None.

Staff: Wayne B. Bergeron, Community Services Supervisor/Executive Secretary

Manuel Cantu, Community Services Program Coordinator Tonnitta Walsh, Community Services Program Leader III

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Committee Member Valerie Bojorquez led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

None.

CONSENT AGENDA*

- a. Minutes approval for September 11, 2023
- b. Monthly Committee Financial Report for September 2023.
 A motion was made by Valerie Bojorquez and seconded by Jisel Morales to approve items 5A & 5B. Motion passed.
- 6. <u>COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT</u> MAYOR JUANITA MARTIN None.
- 7. <u>EXECUTIVE SECRETARY REPORT</u> EXECUTIVE SECRETARY WAYNE B. BERGERON Executive Secretary Wayne Bergeron gave a brief report on the following items.
 - a. Fiestas Patrias Recap
 - b. Relay for Life Recap
 - c. YLC In-Service Recap September 23, 2023 at Town Center Hall, Meeting Room #1
 - d. Dia De Los Muertos
 - e. Lantern Tour
 - f. Halloween Carnival October 28, 2023 at Los Nietos
 - g. Park Project Update
 - i. Little Lake Park Parking Lot Project
 - 8. <u>OLD BUSINESS</u> EXECUTIVE SECRETARY WAYNE B. BERGERON None.

9. NEW BUSINESS* - EXECUTIVE SECRETARY WAYNE B. BERGERON

- a. Determine YLC Representatives to lead the Pledge of Allegiance at the City Council Meeting on November 21, 2023.
 - Valerie Bojorquez, Valerie Gamboa, and Zulema Gamboa volunteered to attend the City Council meeting to lead the Pledge of Allegiance at the November 21st meeting.
- b. Direction on how to proceed for providing financial assistance to those in need this holiday season
 - i. Executive Secretary Wayne Bergeron informed the Committee that the Human & Family Services Division for would no longer be conducting "adopt a family for the holidays." A discussion was had on what programs would be ideal to support. He also informed the Committee that it has \$350 to use toward this endeavor.

Zulema Gamboa and Valerie Bojorquez suggested supporting the County's Department of Family & Children Services program that places children with foster families in the City.

Alan Duque suggested the Committee support the Whittier Police Department's "Shop with a Cop" program.

Chairperson Casillas suggested staff contacting local children's hospitals to see if they are treating patients from Santa Fe Springs and putting them in contact to receive assistance.

Staff took the direction provided and will come back to the YLC meeting of November 6th to provide the options and for the Committee to decide how to conduct its holiday support.

10. DIVISION PROGRAM UPDATES

Executive Secretary Bergeron gave a brief report on the following items and encouraged the members to read the detailed report in the Committee Packet.

- a. Boxing
- b. Adult Sports
- c. Pee Wee Sports
- d. Youth Soccer (Fall)
- e. Youth Basketball & Hoopstars (Addition of AA Division)
- f. Youth Flag Football
- g. Middle School Sports Programs
- h. College Bound Program for Teens
- i. T.E.E.N.S. and The Club Programs
- j. Contract Classes
- k. Day Camp (Fall and Grinchmas)
- I. Pumpkin Carving at Parks
- m. Family Fun Excursions
- n. Santa's Home Visits
- o. Family Camp

11. LIBRARY SERVICES DIVISION PROGRAM UPDATES -LIBRARY SERVICES

REPRESENTATIVE - Librarian Jessica Magallanes

- a. High School Faculty Meeting
- b. Jovenes Creadores Took place October 7, 2023. Staff artist made wire sculptures.
 - a. There will be more classes in November and December.
- c. Spooky Flash Fiction Contest is open and due October 13. Topic is Scary Stories and winner takes home a library swag bag.
- d. Teentober Take and Make started the first week of October. There is a new one every Monday. The Take and Make for December is Holiday themed.
- e. Halloween Book Display Halloween Horror Books

12. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT

Nothing to report.

13. PRESENTATION

There was no presentation.

14. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Executive Secretary Wayne Bergeron suggested that the planning of the YLC retreat to take place January 12 – 15, 2024 should be on November's agenda to determine menu and activities.

Committee Member Valerie Bojorquez suggested that the planning of a holiday movie viewing should be considered and wanted it on the November agenda, as well as additional events that the YLC should be hosting/coordinating.

No other future agenda items were suggested.

15. MEMBER COMMENTS

Chairperson Casillas suggested that we plan on having a hot cocoa & movie night during the YLC retreat. Library Services representative Jessica Magallanes informed the Committee that movies could be checked out at the Library for the retreat.

16. ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Jilliana Casillas adjourned the meeting at 7:27 p.m.

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