

**CITY OF SANTA FE SPRINGS
YOUTH LEADERSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING
March 4, 2013**

Meeting Notes

1. ROLL CALL

THOSE RESPONDING TO ROLL CALL: Meeting started at 6:45 p.m.

Marissa Gonzalez

Felipe Rangel

Ariana Gonzalez

Kevin Ramirez

Gabriela Rodriguez

Dominique Walker

Danielle Garcia

Andrea Valencia

Drew Bobadilla

Wendy Pasillas

COUNCIL LIAISON: Councilmember Louie M. González (Excused)

ALSO PRESENT:

Christian Alarcon

Nancy Zamora

Jeff Mahlstede

ABSENT:

Maxine Berg

Destiny Cardona

Cameron Velasco

Victor Ugarte

Victoria Molina

Martin Guerrero

Drew Bobadilla

Lisa Baeza

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The approval of the minutes of February 4, 2013 meeting is adjourned to the April 8, 2013 meeting.

3. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS - PUBLIC COMMENTS WELCOME

Wendy Pasillas presented the committee with the various scholarship opportunities that are currently being offered by the city.

Kevin Ramirez announced that he will be signing a letter of intent for Cal State Long Beach.

4. COUNCIL LIAISON COMMENTS

None.

5. EXECUTIVE SECRETARY REPORT

None.

6. OLD BUSINESS

Ariana Gonzalez, Gabriela Rodriguez and Marisa Gonzalez will attend the City Council meeting on March 14, 2013 at 7pm.

Kevin Ramirez, Wendy Pasillas, Andrea Valencia, Drew Bobadilla, Gabriela Rodriguez and Felipe Rangel will attend the City Council meeting on March 26, 2013 at 7pm.

Christian Alarcon reminded the committee of the upcoming St. Patrick's Day dance on March 15, 2013 at 7pm.

7. **NEW BUSINESS**

Maricela Balderas expressed to the committee that resources for education have been scarce in the local high schools. For that reason, she wants to be able to provide those resources through the neighborhood center. She presented her intern Melissa Ruiz, who is currently providing those resources at Lincoln High School. Melissa Ruiz presented to the committee the College and Financial Aid workshop that will be available for students out of the Gus Velasco Neighborhood Center. In the presentation she covered the following topics: A-G requirements, GPA, AP Honors and Dual Enrollment, College Readiness Timeline, PSAT, SAT, ACT, Schools, Majors and Minors, Community Colleges, Cal States, UC's, Privates, Out of State, Financial Aid: Cal Grants, Grants, Scholarships, Loans, Work Study, FAFSA and California Dream Act. She is hoping to bring more resources and collaboration to the Department.

Yolanda Garcia has been hired as a consultant to run the City's art festival called *Santa Fe Springs Art Fest 2013*. Yolanda is the owner of an art studio in Uptown Whittier called Casita Del Pueblo. She has been in business for 7 years. She specializes in bringing art to her surrounding communities. She frequently takes up and coming artists to her studio to expose and introduce them to the community. She announced that she will be assisting the City in its very first Art Fest in which high school and adult artists will be able to submit art pieces. The art pieces will then be showcased at the Art Festival at the Clarke Estate on Thursday, May 30th. All items that are showcased will take part in a silent auction in which all funds will be given to the Heritage Arts Program.

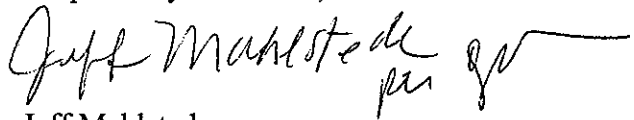
8. **NEXT MEETING**

April 8, 2013 at 6:30 p.m.

9. **ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting was adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Jeff Mahlstede
Executive Secretary
Youth Leadership Committee