



YOUTH LEADERSHIP COMMITTEE

Town Center Hall

The Club

Monday, March 5, 2018

6:30 p.m.

MINUTES

1) **CALL TO ORDER**

Vice Chairperson Jennisa Casillas called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

2) **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – JENNISA CASILLAS, VICE CHAIRPERSON

3) **ROLL CALL** – RAFAEL GOMEZ

Attendance: Savanna Aguayo, Ivan Aguilar, Richard Aguilar, Walter Alvarez, Karla Cardenas, Jennisa Casillas, Andrew Chavez, Destiny Cornejo, Angel Corona, Jazmine Duque, Rafael Gomez, Valarie Gonzales, Bernardo Landin, Valerie Melendez, Metztl Mercado-Garcia, Christian Zamora

Absent: Jennifer Centeno, Ioannis Panou, Zachary Varela

Council Liaison: Joe Angel Zamora, Councilmember

Staff: Wayne Bergeron, Community Services Supervisor
Manuel Cantu, Program Coordinator (Absent)
Edwin Vargas, Community Services Program Leader III
Demi Perez, Community Services Program Leader II
Olivia Shea, Literacy Librarian

Guests: Susan Johnston, Sister City Committee
Janette Wolf, Sister City Committee
Andrea Lopez, Sister City Committee
Doris Yarwood, Sister City Committee

4) **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

- Edwin Vargas informed the Committee of three scholarships that the City of Santa Fe Springs is offering. The deadline for all three is March 23, 2018. Applications available from The Club or on line at www.santafesprings.org.
 - Armando J. Mora Memorial Service Scholarship
 - Lorenzo Sandoval Memorial Athletic Scholarship
 - Al Sharp Memorial Scholarship

5) **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – JENNISA CASILLAS

A motion was made by Andrew Chavez, and seconded by Metztli Mercado-Garcia, to approve the Minutes of February 5, 2018, as amended. The motion carried with unanimously.

SECTION 3, ROLL CALL, amended to read: "Valarie Gonzalez"

SECTION 5, APPROVAL OF MINUTES, amended to read "Walter Alvarez"

6) NEW BUSINESS – EDWIN VARGAS

Chairperson directed to take this item out of order

Presentation by Sister City

- i. Susan Johnston and Janette Wolf from the Sister City Committee informed the Youth Leadership Committee of the student Foreign Exchange with Tirschenreuth, Germany. The trip is planned for July of 2019, up to ten students are able to spend 3 weeks in Tirschenreuth, Germany. Students will stay with a German host family. During the day the group will take various trips and tours of the cities and famous landmarks and historic sites. Upon returning home, the German students will visit Santa Fe Springs and experience daily life here along with trips and tours of our cities and landmarks.
- ii. Requirements are a \$500 deposit in December of 2018 which will go towards ticket, a passport at time of deposit, between the ages of 15-18, and be a member of the Young Ambassadors Association. The Committee and students fundraise throughout the year. Student is eligible for a refund of \$500 if they are able to fundraise enough money or cancel before ticket is purchased.
- iii. The Young Ambassadors meet on the second Wednesday of the month.

7) COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT – COUNCILMEMBER JOE ANGEL ZAMORA

Councilmember Zamora reported on the following items:

- a. Raymond Cruz is the new City Manager of Santa Fe Springs

8) EXECUTIVE SECRETARY REPORT – WAYNE BERGERON

- Jo Ann Madrid, Parks and Recreation Supervisor retired from the City after 41 years of service on Friday, March 2.
- Easter Egg-stravaganza will be on Saturday, March 31 at Los Nietos Park from 8 a.m. – 1 p.m. Volunteer opportunities available.
- Dodger Game City excursion will be on August 25 for \$30 per person
- L.A. Galaxy game excursion will be in late September.

9) DIVISION PROGRAM UPDATES – COMMUNITY SERVICES STAFF

- a. ***Youth Programming (Parks and Recreation Division)*** – Staff Member Demi

Perez handed out the March 2018 activity calendar for The Club and highlighted the academic and social activities that take place each week. Food Calendar for February not available at this time.

- i. Knott's Berry Farm excursion during Spring Break on Tuesday, March 22 from 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. Price is \$30. There must be at least 15 people for a group rate. Permission slips will be available in the Club beginning on Tuesday, March 6. Encouraged to bring in fee and permission slip early.
- ii. The Club will be closed on Friday, March 30 for Cesar Chavez Day
- iii. The Club will open at 12 p.m. during the week of March 26 through March 30 for Spring Break.
- iv. Tournaments are going very well. The next two tournaments will be a Pool Tournament and a Super Mario Earth Smash Tournament.

b. T.E.E.N.S. Program (Parks & Recreation Division) – Mr. Vargas reported on the following T.E.E.N.S. events that are available in March:

- i. Craft Your Cooking Skills will be on Wednesday, March 23.
- ii. General T.E.E.N.S. meeting on March 14

c. Library & Cultural Services Division Teen Programs – Olivia Shea reported on the following programs offered by the Library:

- i. Santa Fe Springs Day of Service on April 14th from 8 a.m. – 10 a.m. at the Gus Velasco Neighborhood Center – Fliers passed out
- ii. Santa Fe Springs Fun Run on April 21 from 7 a.m. to 10 a.m. The cost is \$3 and all participants receive a medal.
- iii. Bookmark Design contest. Turn your design into a bookmark and turn into the Library by March 31. Winning design will be turned into a bookmark and passed out at Library.

10) OLD BUSINESS – EDWIN VARGAS

a. Youth Leadership Quote Wall Update – Mr. Vargas thanked members who contributed to the Quote Wall and asked for higher resolution pictures to avoid pixilation when enlarged. Encouraged anyone who has not turned in artwork to create something and turn it in.

11) NEW BUSINESS – EDWIN VARGAS

b. Council Meeting Schedule- Thursday, March 8, 2018 and Thursday, March 22, 2018

- i. March 8: Christian Zamora, Valarie Melendez, Jennifer Centeno, Andrew Chavez, Destiny Cornejo, Angel Corona, Jennisa, Casillas, Rafael Gomez, Bernardo Landin, Walter Alvarez, Valarie Gonzales, Karla Cardenas, Jazmine Duque.
- ii. March 22: Andrew Chavez, Destiney Cornejo, Angel Corona, Richard Aguilar, Bernardo Landin, Ioannis Panou, Valarie Gonzales.
- iii. Mini-Game Mania recap: Karla Cardenas reported that Mini-Game Mania went very well with a high attendance. Edwin asked the committee

members to arrive early for future events. Committee supports future events.

- iv. Open the Window to your Future recap: Jennisa Casillas reported that the event went well. The set-up of the event was well planned out and the guest were approachable and helpful. Committee members noted that attendance was slightly lower this year and there were less guests. Councilmember Zamora encourage members to get involved with the planning to build the event.
- v. A collaborative meeting will be held on March 19, 2018 at 5 p.m. T.E.E.N.S. Day of Service in conjunction with the City's Day of Service event, Easter fund raising, and The Club Calendar of events for March, April, and May will be discussed.

12) SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT

Nothing new to report.

13) FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS – EDWIN VARGAS

- a. T.E.E.N.S meeting recap
- b. Easter recap
- c. Excursion recap
- d. T.E.E.N.S event recap

14) MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS – JENNISA CASILLAS

- An invitation has been extended by the Downey Committee for the Committee to attend their Student Government Day on April 26 from 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.
- The City Manager has set aside 5 tickets for the Mayor's Prayer Breakfast on Thursday, March 15. Event Begins at 6:30 a.m. Members attending Ivan Aguilar, Walter Alvarez, Richard Aguilar, Christian Zamora, and Rafael Gomez.
- The Chair allotted time to Andrea Lopez to give the Committee information regarding the Miss Santa Fe Springs Pageant. Contact Andrea Lopez or Doris Yarwood if interested.

15) ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Richard Aguilar adjourned the meeting at 8:03 p.m.

NEXT MEETING: Monday, April 2, 2018 | 6:30 p.m.

LOCATION: Teen Lounge, Town Center Hall, 11740 E. Telegraph Rd.



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Wayne B. Bergeron,
Executive Secretary