



YOUTH COMMISSION MINUTES

7:00pm, June 4, 2003
Hillview Community Center, Room 2
97 Hillview Avenue, Los Altos, California 94022

Call to Order

Chairperson Lin called the meeting to order at 7:09pm.

Roll Call

Present: Chairperson Lin, Commissioners Angelo, Bien, Chafey, Elchert, Garcia, Lorell, Stanley, Zwarenstein
Absent: none

Public Comment

Natasha Sachdeva attended meeting.

Also attending was Isaac Smith of Golden Way in Los Altos & Scott Ibaraki of Holly Avenue in Los Altos. Both are students at Mountain View High School. They would like the Youth Commission to consider putting on a Band Night for local high school students. Commissioners had some questions about types of bands, number of bands, etc. Commissioners will consider placing this item on a future agenda. Commissioner Stanley took the residents information and will let them know when this item is on the agenda.

Approval of Minutes – The minutes will be approved at the next meeting.

Discussion

- 1. Review of 2002-03 School Year** – Commissioner Chafey felt that the commission had many good ideas but didn't follow up. Commissioner Stanley felt that good work was done on Skate Park. Commissioner Lin recommended to the next years commission not to have too many items on the agenda unless the commission felt that they could really work on them. Commissioners felt that they just need to follow through on items that are on the agenda.
- 2. Youth Commission Overview** – Staff Liaison did an overview of the operation of Youth Commission. Also briefly went over Brown Act and Robert's Rules of Order.
- 3. Goals & Objectives for 2003-04 School Year** – Commission would like to work more closely with City Council, possibly sending representatives to City Council Meetings. Commission would also like to focus on Skate Park and Band Night. Commission feels that if they sponsor events or activities in the community they need to make an effort to publicize more.

4. **Regular Meeting Schedule** – Commission felt that at the interviews there was a consensus that people would like to have meetings on a regular schedule. Commissioner Garcia would rather not meet solely on Mondays due to possible other commitments. Commissioner Stanley would rather have meetings on two different nights. COMMISSIONER CHAFEY MOVED to change meeting schedule to the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month. MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BIEN AND PASSED BY VOICE VOTE (7-2) WITH COMMISSIONERS GARCIA & STANLEY VOTING “NO”.
5. **Summer Meeting Schedule** – Some commissioners have commitments throughout the summer. Commissioners were worried about the possibility of too many commissioners being gone during the summer. Commissioner Garcia will be gone most of the summer working at Camp Oljato. COMMISSIONER STANLEY MOVED to continue to hold meetings during the summer months. MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER ELCHERT AND PASSED BY VOICE VOTE (8-1) WITH COMMISSIONER GARCIA VOTING “NO”.
6. **Attending City Council Meetings** – After being interviewed by the City Council Personnel Committee, commissioners realized it was important to work more closely with City Council. COMMISSIONER GARCIA MOVED to have commission representatives attend City Council meetings like other commissions do. MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER ELCHERT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY BY VOICE VOTE. Commissioners will decide at each Youth Commission meeting who will attend the next City Council Meeting. Commissioners Lorell & Garcia will attend the June 10, 2003 City Council Meeting.
7. **Recruiting New Commissioners** – Commissioner were told that after tonight’s meeting that there would be 3 openings on the commission and were asked to see if any of their peers are interested in applying. Commissioners were reminded that candidates must live in the City of Los Altos to be on Youth Commission.
8. **Chair & Vice Chair Appointments** – Chairperson Lin nominated Jeff Garcia for Chairperson and Ryan Stanley for Vice-Chair. Commissioner Elchert nominated Ryan Stanley for Chair. BY SHOW OF HANDS (4-3) COMMISSIONER GARCIA WAS ELECTED CHAIRPERSON AND COMMISSIONER STANLEY WAS ELECTED VICE-CHAIR. COMMISSIONERS GARCIA & STANLEY ABSTAINED. COMMISSIONERS BIEN, CHAFEY, LIN & LORELL VOTED FOR COMMISSIONER GARCIA. COMMISSIONERS ANGELO, ELCHERT & ZWARENSTEIN VOTED FOR COMMISSIONER STANLEY.

OTHER MATTERS

Commissioners Garcia & Lorell will be attending June 10, 2003 City Council Meeting.

Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 8:36pm.