



**Community Services Building
440 Civic Center Plaza
Richmond, CA 94804**

**MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2015**

Joseph Jackson
Chairman

Akira Moton
Vice Chairperson

Youth Council Members

Drew Berrygr
Raul Garcia
Nancy Ng
Quelane Levi
Cynthia Pardinias

The Richmond Youth Council welcomes and thanks you for participating with us tonight at our regular meeting, we would love to hear what you have to say, so please don't hesitate, fill out a pink slip and be heard.

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REGULAR MEETING OF THE RICHMOND YOUTH COUNCIL

6:30 p.m.

A. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting Called to order at 6:32 p.m. by Chair Jackson

B. ROLL CALL

Councilmember Pardinias, and Berry were absent

C. PUBLIC FORUM

Mr. Cordell Hindler, Community Advocate, invited the youth council to attend the following: Edfund talk on 10/14 (7pm at Point Richmond), to present to the PMCAC, and to attend the Make a Difference Day event on 10/24.

Mr. Robert Rogers, of County Supervisor John Gioia's Office, invited the youth council to Food Week (10/20-10/24) located here at Civic Center Plaza.

D. AGENDA REVIEW

The following Items were removed: All E Items, G4, G5, and F1

E. PRESENTATIONS

E-1 RECEIVE a presentation from Concerned students in the city about quality of life, education and how the youth council should do work moving into the second year. (Deputy Secretary Pardinias)

The following Item was removed in Agenda Review.

E-2 RECEIVE a presentation from Various Foster Home Administrators on how the effect of being out of the city, or the quality of life is different.

The following Item was removed in Agenda Review.

E-3 RECEIVE a presentation from Boys and Girls Club of El Sobrante, after having a visit by the Deputy Secretary. (Deputy Secretary Pardinias)

The following Item was removed in Agenda Review.

F. YOUTH COUNCIL BUSINESS/STUDY SESSION

F-1 REVIEW the current plan to create and act on the plan of a Youth Council social event exclusively for members with the purpose of socialization and getting to know one another better. (Secretary Ng)

Chair Jackson made a motion for Secretary Ng to create a final plan and present it to the entire youth council for a final approval and planning to begin, and come back on 10/19 to present. Motion seconded by Vice Chair Moton, and passes unanimously

F-2 ACKNOWLEDGE youth council members who desire to serve as officers in the upcoming term, and give direction for them to write a letter of intent stating their individual desire.

Chair Jackson asked whom would be interested in running for office within the youth council, the following will be seeking office(s):

Joseph Jackson - Chair
Akira Moton - Vice Chair
Nancy Ng - Secretary

Chair Jackson also asked that members who were absent also be included in the process, and allowed to run for office via emailing their interest to the Chair or Secretary. The following member(s) notified via email interest in running for office:

Quelane Levi - Secretary

F-3 PLAN to give annual report to city council on October 27, 2015 and ask for the individual ideas of members for what should be included in the annual report to council. (Chair Jackson)

Chair Jackson notified the Youth Council that he has scheduled a time for the Youth Council representatives to go before City Council and give an annual report on the 2014-2015 term. Chair Jackson asked for the Vice Chair to accompany him and co-present at the Annual Report meeting on October 27, 2015 at 6:30 p.m in the Richmond City Council Chambers. Next item will be the action item for the plan.

G. YOUTH COUNCIL AS A WHOLE

G-1 PLAN to hold elections for new officers on the first meeting of November, (Nov. 3, 2015.) (Chair Jackson)

Chair Jackson moved to approve the plan concurrent with Youth Council Bylaws to hold Officers Election on the first meeting in November, November 2, 2015. Motion was seconded by Vice Chair Moton, and Passes unanimously.

G-2 PLAN to have each desirable candidate for office to give a nominations speech at the upcoming meeting of October with the intent to vote on November 3, 2015. (Chair Jackson)

Chair Jackson asked that we change the way we conduct elections with the effort(s) of really getting to know what a person will be like as a leader. Vice-Chair Moton agreed that she likes the idea of a Nominations Speech, Chair Jackson motioned to Approve G-2 and hold candidate speeches at the next regularly scheduled meeting. Motion was seconded by Vice Chair Moton, and approved unanimously

G-2 INTRODUCE a plan to create polo's and other wear for members to wear in meetings, or other events on behalf of the Richmond Youth Council, and add a plan to allow Councilmember Garcia's recommendation of using local business as the print shop (Councilmember Garcia)

Chair Jackson has notified Councilmember Garcia that he would like to see an on paper copy will send an email regarding costs and design of t shirts and polos.

G-3 INTRODUCE a plan to work with F.J.C (Family Justice Center) on youth violence prevention, and how we can get those youth that suffer from violent situations, into mentorship into a road for a better life. (Chair Jackson)

A Motion was made by Chair Jackson to create a special sub committee to work with FJC on Youth Violence Issues, and to task them with developing a strategic plan to decrease violence, and raise awareness. Motion seconded by Vice Chair Moton, Motion passes with Youth Council-Member Secretary Ng abstaining.

G-4 INTRODUCE a plan to hold a Youth Town Hall Meeting, and the meeting agenda, criteria and additional information for media distribution. (Chair Jackson)

The following Item was removed in Agenda Review.

G-5 INTRODUCE a strategic plan to begin design phase for the Talent Show project that is currently underway that the Youth Council has supported through Midnight Basketball's efforts, and **ASSIGN** a working group of members to meet annually to gather materials, etc.

The following Item was removed in Agenda Review.

G-6 APPROVE a projected plan to create a Richmond Youth Council Website and various email accounts for members to use for official business only, for a total annual amount not to exceed \$1,000.00 a year. (Chair Jackson)

Chair Jackson spoke on the importance of having our members using a secure and professional looking email domain, and accounts. Chair Jackson raised the concern that it must be something that's cloud based so that every member can gain access to documents at any location. Chair Jackson motioned to approve Item G-6, Motion was seconded by Vice Chair Moton, motion passes unanimously.

I. ADJOURNMENT

Adjourned at 7:16 p.m