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**MAYOR'S YOUTH ADVISORY BOARD MEETING**

**Thursday, November 12, 2015**

**Carlos Ortega Teen Center**

**737 Agua Fria**

**4:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.**

- 1. Roll Call**
- 2. Approval of Agenda**
- 3. Approval of Minutes for August 24, 2015.**
- 4. New Business:**
  - A. Mayor Gonzales 2015 Youth Summit:**
    - **Summit Discussion**
    - **Report Design**
    - **Next Steps**
  - B. Report from Chair – Brittany Gurule**
- 5. Old Business:**
- 6. Discussion items for the next meeting**
- 7. Matters from Councilor Trujillo**
- 8. Matters from the Committee**
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	<b>None</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>MATTERS FROM THE BOARD</b>	<b>None</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>ADJOURNMENT</b>	<b>Adjourned at 6:10 p.m.</b>	<b>6</b>

**MINUTES OF THE**  
**CITY OF SANTA FE**  
**MAYOR'S YOUTH ADVISORY BOARD**  
**MEETING**

**Santa Fe, New Mexico**  
**November 12, 2015**

A meeting of the City of Santa Fe Mayor's Youth Advisory Board was called to order by Brittney Gurule, Chair on this date at 4:38 p.m. at the Carlos Ortega Teen Center, 737 Agua Fria, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

**Members Present:**

Brittany Gurule, Chair  
Brianna Trujillo, Vice Chair  
Rudy Flores  
Jared P. Lucero  
Alicia Trujillo

**Member(s) Absent:**

Amanda Jacobs

**Staff Present:**

Chris Sanchez, Youth and Family Services Division Director  
Victor Vigil, Ortega Teen Center

**Others Present:**

Serena Crespín, Santa Fe High School  
Chris Jonas, Littlelobe  
Vanessa Juarez, Tierra Encantada School  
Asia Haywood, Littlelobe  
Anthony Ibarra, SWAT  
Luke Lar, Littlelobe  
Molly Mannila, SWAT  
Adrian Perez, St. Michael's High School  
Mariah Salazar, Simon Scholar  
Thomas Vigil, Santa Fe High School  
Jo Ann G. Valdez, Stenographer

## **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Briana Trujillo made a motion to approve the agenda. Alicia Trujillo seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.**

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

August 24, 2015 Meeting

**Brianna Trujillo moved to approve the Minutes of the August 24, 2015 meeting. Alicia Trujillo seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.**

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **A. Mayor Gonzales' 2015 Youth Summit:**

- **Summit Discussion**
- **Report Design**
- **Next Steps**

The 2015 Youth Summit took place on October 27<sup>th</sup> at the Genoveva Chavez Community Center from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Mr. Sanchez said the purpose of today's meeting is twofold: 1) to thank the Board for the wonderful job that they did at the 2015 Youth Summit. 2) The other part of the meeting is for the group to take the notes they made at the Summit - after receiving the feedback from the youth - and gather all the notes together.

Mr. Sanchez would like to compose a report that will go out to all of the youth from the City of Santa Fe and develop an action plan based on the report. The action plan will then be presented to City Council, to the Board of County Commissioners and to the different school boards.

Mr. Sanchez asked for some feedback from the youth on the 2015 Youth Summit. He noted that he has heard nothing but positive feedback. He mentioned that several youth members were selected from the group to speak at the adult Opportunity Summit that will be taking place in a couple of weeks. He said this is the reason for the people who are filming today.

The comments/feedback/suggestions were as follows:

### **Job Opportunities**

- Youth would like to see a job center for them to use to help them get a job.
- Youth would like to get the education on how to organize/manage money. This gives them an idea of what to expect.
- Youth would like training on the standards of holding a job.

- The job center would be a place where they would tell the youth about the businesses who would like to employ teens because not all teens are lazy.
- Youth would like help with the job applications.
- They would also like help with financial problems.
- They would like to have job shadowing. It was noted that not everyone wants a State job.
- They would like to have work study where they could get credit for working.
- They would like to see more internships for youth.

#### **Issues on getting a job**

- Some teens have tattoos.
- Some teens have disabilities and can't balance school and work.
- Some are not meeting skill standards and do not have work experience.
- The youth would like to see the following qualities when looking for a job: Good benefits; training; good pay; manageable hours and a job close to home.

#### **Jobs they should have for teens**

- More jobs at movie theatres.
- Volunteering for these types of careers.
- More artistic jobs for youth.

#### **Sports for Girls**

- The youth would like to see more co-ed sports teams.
- They would also like to have an "Athlete of the Week" section in the local newspaper.
- More funding for sports for girls.
- Free access to gyms.
- The youth would also like to see more media coverage on sports for girls.

#### **Youth Political Involvement**

- One of the interesting suggestions was to create a club in each school that would get together and talk about youth political involvement. Then all the clubs in each city could come together and reflect on the topics that were discussed.
- Another idea that was brought up was to create a spot for a youth member on the Santa Fe School Board.
- Another idea is to have a club where they would watch the debates and keep up with civics for those who are interested.
- Inform youth on the importance of voting.
- Youth do not know how to get involved.

#### **Lack of Activities**

- The youth would like to have a local bowling alley for them to go.
- They would also like to have a "graffiti building" where they can do graffiti. They would like to have a building that would be dedicated to mural art for youth.
- They would like to bring in more art instruction into the schools.
- The youth would like to have a music and dance club.

- They would also like to have an arcade that they could go to.
- They would like to have drive-ins theatres to watch movies.
- They would like to have a Putt-Putt Golf place to go to that would glow in the dark.
- They would also like to see local facilities like Itz, Cool Springz, Gravity Park, laser-tag, paintball, volleyball courts, movie nights for teens and youth oriented museums, an aquarium and a local zoo.
- They would like to see more places like Warehouse 21.
- The youth would like to have lights at the parks.
- The youth felt that Santa Fe is more for tourists than teens.
- The youth would like to see a better mall in town that would include more stores for teens. Also, more food options, such as Chick-Filet.
- They would like to see more concerts for teens.
- It would be fun to have video game competitions for teens.

### **Why are activities important?**

- Interaction
- Meeting new people
- Builds character
- Helps teens feel stronger

### **Technology**

- The youth would like to have competitive gaming (E-sport)
- They would also like to have more technological clubs.
- Possibly they can partner with universities.
- They would like to have more classes at the Santa Fe Community College for teens.

### **Healthier Foods in Schools**

- Fundraising could be done to get healthier foods in schools.
- Donations or discounts from farmers for healthier foods.
- Encourage healthy eating habits at home.
- Youth would like to have community gardens.
- They would also like to have fresher foods.

### **Bullying**

- The youth would like to have student assemblies at all grade levels and talk about bullying.
- They would like to have inspirational speakers talk to the students about bullying.
- A suggestion to have a slogan in all schools like: *"Ignore It and Report It"*.
- They would like for schools to show anti-bullying movies. They could have a contest among the schools for students to be in the movies and not actors.
- The youth would like to establish a 24-hour, 7 days a week hotline (where they could report bullying) that would be staffed by volunteers.
- Bullying is not OK and is not acceptable. The youth would like to have a support group in every school for those that are being bullied.
- One of the best ways to eliminate bullying is to talk to an adult about what's going on.

### **School Funding**

- The youth would like to see funding for arts, music, computers and software.
- They are using textbooks from the 90's.
- Do fundraising projects.
- It is hard for youth to get information on how money is being spent in schools.  
Possible solutions: Sign out computers or books to students and they are responsible for them; divert funds from things less important (city and state); cut testing; have renewable energy in schools, such as solar panels and solar roadways as this is cheaper in the long run.
- The needs that were mentioned include: more electives and sports for teens; hands-on experiences; mentorships; libraries; and animation and cartoon software.

### **Mentorship Opportunities**

- Youth need more guidance from knowledgeable adults, but also from other youth.
- Mentor to protégé; peer-to-peer.
- The youth of Santa Fe would like to obtain life skills, confidence, new experiences, knowledge, connections and exposure to career fields through mentorships.
- Some areas that youth want mentorships in are:  
Academics, sports, medicine, architecture, mechanics, engineering, college prep, music, photography, business, culinary arts and leadership.
- Youth feel that there is a lack of support from teachers, which contributes to the lack of youth involvement.
- The availability of mentorships needs to increase. The majority of youth are not aware of the opportunities they have.

### **Alleviating Financial Stress**

- Youth would like to see more government support to include jobs for teens.
- They would also like to see tutoring and after-school programs.
- Easier access to supplies and meals.
- More motivation to stay in school.
- They would also like to have free recreational activities for kids and families.

### **B. Report from Chair – Brittany Gurule**

There was no report from the Chair.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

There was no old business.

### **DISCUSSION ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING**

Youth Summit Report

## **MATTERS FROM COUNCILOR TRUJILLO**

Councilor Trujillo was absent; therefore there were no matters from Councilor Trujillo.

## **MATTERS FROM THE BOARD**

There were no matters from the Board.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

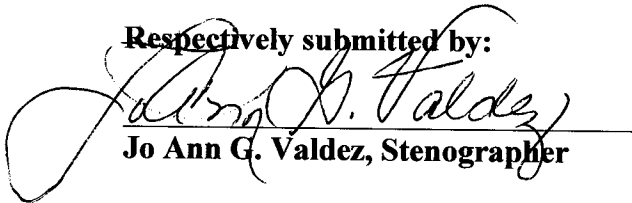
The next meeting is scheduled for December 3, 2015 at 4:45 p.m. at St. Michael's High School.

Its business being completed, the meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

**Approved by:**

  
**Brittany Gurule, Chair**

**Respectively submitted by:**

  
**Jo Ann G. Valdez, Stenographer**