



Agenda

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**Mayor's Youth Advisory Board
Thursday April 27th, 2017
4:30-5:30 P.M.
Railyard Offices
500 Market Street
Suite 200**

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- III. Approval of Agenda
- IV. Introductions of Board Members and Guests
- V. Approval of Minutes of November 17th, 2016 January 26th, 2017 and March 23rd, 2017
- VI. a. Review of teen summit
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MINUTES OF THE
CITY OF SANTA FE
MAYOR'S YOUTH ADVISORY BOARD
MEETING

Santa Fe, New Mexico
April 27, 2017

A meeting of the City of Santa Fe Mayor's Youth Advisory Board was called to order by Tony Ibarra-Rivera, Chair on this date at 4:37 p.m. at the Railyard Offices, 500 Market Street, Suite 200, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

There was not a quorum present to conduct official business; therefore, a discussion session was held.

Members Present:

Anthony "Tony" Ibarra-Rivera, Chair
Rudy Flores

Member(s) Absent:

Adrian Olivas, Vice Chair
Augustine Martinez
Vanessa Morales
Autumn Pino
Alicia Trujillo

Staff Present:

Richard de Mella, Regional Juvenile Justice Planner
Chris Sanchez, Youth and Family Services Division Director
Julie Sanchez, Youth and Family Services Division Program Manager
Victor Vigil, Carlos Ortega Center

Others Present:

Sylvie Grantis Hagan, Ever Wonder Media
Megan Sarkossian, visitor from ATC School
Marcos Lovato, Ever Wonder Media
Councilor Renee Villarreal
Jo Ann G. Valdez, Stenographer

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Approval of the agenda was not made due to the lack of a quorum.

INTRODUCTION OF BOARD MEMBERS AND GUESTS

Introductions were made.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

November 17, 2016, January 26, 2017 and March 23, 2017

Approval of the Minutes was postponed because there was not a quorum present.

REVIEW OF TEEN SUMMIT

Councilor Villarreal asked if the Board Members could discuss the Youth Summit and provide feedback and discuss the pros and cons of the Youth Summit. The following comments/suggestions were made:

- For the time that was dedicated to putting the Youth Summit together, everything went well-some felt that a rush to put together the Youth Summit.
- Some liked the way the Youth Summit began with the indigenous prospective and having prayer. They would like to start all the Youth Summits like this.
- The feedback from this year's Youth Summit was positive and powerful, especially regarding immigrant issues.
- The Summit was too short of a day.
- Some people felt rushed and the youth were just beginning to get engaged.
- Format and venue could have been set up better because it was hard to hear because of the acoustics of the area.
- Facilitator Training not as in-depth as last year's training.
- Ambassadors really did not know what to do.
- Give youth empowerment to speak and provide them time to prep or prepare what they will discuss.
- Some youth at the Summit felt uncomfortable speaking up or speaking in public.
- Have a group specifically for adults because some adults were wondering around. This would get the adults involved too.
- Liked that snacks were provided.
- Having a note taker for the groups was beneficial.
- Staff will add feedback comments to the report.

UPDATE ON NEW MEMBERS

Mr. Sanchez said the Board is having a difficult time making quorum and it is mainly because youth have a lot of other commitments.

He noted that a lot of the youth on the Advisory Board have missed meetings consecutively and there is a policy in place that indicates that Members who miss 3 or more consecutive meetings will be removed from the Board. He would like to move forward in exercising this right for those youth who have not, or cannot, participate.

Mr. Sanchez mentioned that some youth (about 15 of them) expressed interest in serving on the Board at the Youth Summit.

He said the Board needs to work on logistics and work on the Resolution that created the Board to see what can be done to get a quorum. He noted that the Board also has the option of having "alternate" Board Members who can vote when Board Members are absent.

Mr. Sanchez said the Board needs a new Vice Chair, as Adrian Olivas will be graduating from high school now in May and the Board needs to move forward in filling the vacancy and ensuring that a quorum can be established for future Board meetings.

Chair Ibarra-Rivera agreed and said it seems like youth lose interest after they are appointed and the Board needs to think about ways to keep the youth interested.

Mr. Sanchez said there are a couple of things they can think about and possibly there could be a stipend attached and the Board could see about the potential of leveraging dollars for that. He noted that there are some programs who are doing this nationally and there is usually perfect attendance of their members.

He said having a consistent location would help establish a quorum and this has been brought up in the past. He explained that some youth have issues with transportation and this can prevent them from participating, particularly those youth from the south side of town.

Mr. Sanchez proposed that the Board have a strategic planning session where they can discuss and develop goals for the Board and then do the work that they need to do to recruit new members.

Mr. De Mella said it is not fair to the Board Members who attend the meetings and are committed when the other Board Members do not attend the meetings.

Ms. Sarkossian suggested that the Board consider social media (Facebook) when they try and recruit members. This would be a perfect way to get youth interested.

Mr. Sanchez mentioned that the Board has a Facebook page. He said the City has a certain way on how they recruit members for Boards and Commissions.

Chair Villarreal said there are committees that are stronger than others and this Board is charged with doing certain things.

Mr. Sanchez said he has asked the Department in each of the sections to develop goals because the City is going towards results-based accountability. He said things have changed since the Resolution/Board were first created and the work that the Board used to do.

Mr. Vigil mentioned that the Board used to do fundraisers for the community. He said as far as recruitment of members in the past, staff would talk to the principals at the different schools and they would appoint members to serve on the Board. This has changed because they wanted the youth and/or Board Members to do the recruitment.

Mr. Sanchez said the intent of tonight's meeting was to have pizza and thank the Board for the work they did for the Youth Summit. He thought it was an incredible Youth Summit.

Mr. Sanchez thanked Councilor Villarreal for attending the meetings consistently and for being there for the Youth Summit.

He said there is still work to be done on six topics that were brought up at the previous Youth Summit and they could create a team to work on this.

Mr. Sanchez noted that some youth at the Youth Summit indicated that they did not know about this Board and the Anti-Bullying policies that were put in place. Therefore, more outreach needs to be done. Some youth said that they continue to get bullied.

Mr. Sanchez said he may ask the Community Foundation to make a presentation to the Board because they have been doing some research for him on these types of groups or committees throughout the United States. They found that the groups that were successful had some type of stipend tied to their group/committee. This drew the demographics that they would like to see at the table.

Ms. Sarkossian said having a stipend could get a little "iffy" because people could start to take advantage of it and they would not commit much. She thinks there could be a better solution.

Mr. Sanchez said there would be goals that will need to be accomplished before they would receive the stipend. He would like to explore what this would look like.

Mr. Flores said he has talked to other students about the Board but he has noticed that they end up not being able to attend the meetings because they are committed to other things.

Mr. Sanchez said there are things that can be done, such as changing the time and date that the Board meets because it is not working the way it is.

Chair Ibarra-Rivera said the Board could benefit from having a stronger presence in

the schools. He said from his experience with SWAT, they have a SWAT team in every school and it could help for the Board to have this, not saying that MYAB should have a team in every school but it may help for recruitment of new members. He thinks this Board shares the same goals as SWAT.

Mr. Sanchez said he would like to see how they can tie in SWAT with this Board because of their success in youth interest, etc. He would like to find a way to connect them with this Board.

There was discussion about having less formal meetings or structuring the meetings differently to be more kid-friendly.

Mr. Sanchez said the Board can discuss this but they do have rules that they need to follow, such as the Robert's Rules of Order.

Chair Ibarra-Rivera noted that SWAT plans many events and they are planning an end of the year festival and maybe the Board could get in touch with them because they will be setting up events around the community.

Mr. Sanchez informed Chair Ibarra-Rivera that he could attend these functions or get involved with other groups, as long as they are working collectively and that it is meeting the mission of the Board.

Councilor Villarreal said the Board could have subcommittees that would bring information to the Board.

Mr. Sanchez explained that the Board would not be able to have a quorum when they have subcommittee meetings.

Ms. Sarkossian suggested that there be a representative from each school on the Board because this could work in terms of getting this program/Board out there and letting people know about it.

Chair Ibarra-Rivera said maybe they could have some kind of school club where they can discuss ideas and issues in the youth community and report back to the Board.

Ms. Sarkossian said this could be something like Student Council.

Mr. Sanchez said that is a great idea and a good feeder for the youth to bring information to the Board. They would need to think of a mechanism to do that.

Chair Ibarra-Rivera said they could also consider having car-pools for youth to have transportation to the Board meetings.

He said possibly the Board Members could each have an alternate in the event that they cannot attend meetings.

Ms. Sarkossian mentioned that she knows youth from other schools because she does extra-curricular activities.

Mr. Flores said he has met youth from other schools during summer programs.

COMMENTS FROM THE CHAIR AND BOARD MEMBERS

There were no comments from the Chair and Board Members.

COMMENTS FROM COUNCILOR RENEE VILLARREAL

Councilor Villarreal would like the Board Members to discuss having clearly-defined goals at the strategic planning session that this Board would like to do and get done during the times that they do meet. This could be related to City goals too - things like what is the City doing to achieve a better community for the youth.

Councilor Villarreal liked the idea of meeting in different places because there is not a good mechanism to share information with youth.

Chair Ibarra-Rivera said this was around the time that the Board was getting help from SWAT (Student Wellness Action Team). They meet in a consistent place and they always establish a quorum.

Mr. Sanchez said he liked the idea of having meetings at different schools because this would give a connection to the youth in the community.

Mr. Sanchez wants to make sure that they have representation from all of the different socioeconomic classes at the table, for example, having youth from Youth Works and Youth Shelters.

Councilor Villarreal asked if having a Youth Summit is a requirement or part of the Resolution.

Mr. Sanchez said no, this is something that staff does.

REPORT FROM STAFF

There was no report from staff.

MATTERS FROM THE FLOOR

There were no matters from the floor.

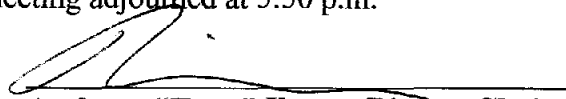
NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on May 18, 2017 (due to the last day of school being May 24th) at 4:30 p.m. All meetings will be held at 500 Market Station from 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Councilor Villarreal noted that she would not be in attendance at the next meeting because she will be out of town.

ADJOURNMENT

Its business being completed, the meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m.



Anthony "Tony" Ibarra-Rivera, Chair

Respectively submitted by:



Jo Ann G. Valdez, Stenographer