

#### **MAYOR'S YOUTH ADVISORY BOARD MEETING**

Thursday, May 9, 2013 Monica Roybal Center 737 Agua Fria 4:45p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

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- 3. Approval of Minutes April 18, 2013
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  - B. Election of 2013-2014 Officers
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  - **B. Positive Youth Engagement Officer Program**
  - C. Health and Nutrition
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# MINUTES OF THE

# **CITY OF SANTA FE**

# MAYOR'S YOUTH ADVISORY BOARD May 9, 2013

# 1. CALL TO ORDER

A meeting of the City of Santa Fe Mayor's Youth Advisory Board was called to order by Adrian Salazar, Chair at 4:45 p.m. on this date at the Monica Roybal Center, 737 Agua Fria, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

#### **ROLL CALL**

Roll Call indicated the presence of a quorum for conducting official business as follows:

# MEMBERS PRESENT

Adrian Salazar, Chair

Allison Valdez, Vice Chair

Austin Basham

Jimmy Buchanan

Griffin Merians

Kamon Tari

Martin Soto

Eliana Ward-Lev

# MEMBERS ABSENT

None

# STAFF PRESENT

Terrie Rodriguez, Youth and Family Services Director Victor Vigil, Youth and Family Services, Teen Center Director

# **OTHERS PRESENT:**

Jerry Chavez, prospective candidate for Board vacancy (SF High School)

Cybele Mayes Osterman, guest

Ryan Ortiz, prospective candidate for Board vacancy (St. Michael's High School)

Brooke Shelton, prospective candidate for Board vacancy (SF High School)

Tilcara Webb, prospective candidate for Board vacancy (NMSU)

Ben Zamora, prospective candidate for Board vacancy (St. Michael's High School)

Jo Ann G. Valdez, Stenographer

# 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Ms. Ward-Lev moved to approve the Agenda. Mr. Soto seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

# 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: April 18, 2013

The following change was made to the Minutes of the April 18, 2013 Meeting:

Page 6, the next meeting was scheduled for May 9, 2013 at Monica Roybal Center.

Ms. Allison Valdez moved to approve the Minutes of the April 18, 2013 meeting as amended. Mr. Soto seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

#### 4. NEW BUSINESS

# A. Convergence Project

Mr. Soto said he is involved in a project at Santa Fe Prep called the "Convergence Project". This is a youth-led project that is aimed to create a sense of community in the Railyard area for youth, as well as adults. The first part of the project is a youth-led research project in the Railyard area where youth will survey businesses. Businesses will be rated on how friendly they are with teens; whether they have events for teens; how they interact with youth; and whether they hire teens. It is also a mentorship program where the mentorship could evolve into a paid position, if the youth completes the mentorship successfully in three months.

Mr. Soto noted that they made a presentation about the project to City Council yesterday and they suggested that they bring it to this Board.

Mr. Soto introduced Cybele Mayes Osterman who is also involved with the project.

Mr. Soto said they are asking for MYAB's support for the project. He mentioned that they are looking for funding for this project and this is why they made a presentation to City Council. He explained that 2% of the gross receipt taxes are supposed to go to the Railyard but they are not sure what they can do with this money. The youth would like to use some of this money for the Convergence project.

Mr. Vigil suggested that they go to City Council again when MYAB appoints a new Chair asking them what the next step should be.

Ms. Shelton asked what businesses would be involved.

Mr. Soto said they have not figured this out as of yet. They are looking for business partners now and creating things and activities for youth to do in Santa Fe.

Ms. Ward-Lev asked what the funding would be used for.

Mr. Soto said the funding could go towards the mentorship program for the paid positions and to pay for the research project. He said the idea is not to put more pressure on the businesses.

Ms. Tari asked what the age range is.

Mr. Soto said 13 to 18 years of age.

Ms. Shelton asked what they have done thus far for fundraising.

Mr. Soto said they made a presentation to City Council and they have also applied for grant funding. He explained that they need approximately \$40,000.

Mr. Soto said he would have more information for the next meeting.

Chair Salazar recommended that this be tabled until the next meeting.

#### B. Election of 2013-1014 Officers

Chair Salazar said the Board needs to elect new officers for 2013-2014. He noted that Jimmy Buchanan was the only Board Member who e-mailed him about serving as Chair in 2013-2014. He noted that they also need a Vice Chair for 2013-2014.

Chair Salazar nominated Jimmy Buchanan to serve as Chair for 2013-2014. Ms. Ward-Lev seconded the nomination. Jimmy Buchanan accepted the nomination.

Ms. Tari nominated Martin Soto to serve as Vice Chair for 2013-2014. Ms. Ward-Lev seconded the nomination. Martin Soto accepted the nomination.

Ms. Tari moved to accept the above nominations. Mr. Soto seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

# 5. OLD BUSINESS

#### A. Youth Summit

Chair Salazar said a Youth Summit was done in 2007 and they discussed ideas of things that teens would like to see in Santa Fe; and youth boards could work on. A report was done and he sent a copy of it to the Board Members. He will also send it to the new Board Members.

# B. Positive Youth Engagement Officer Program

[Copies of the Master Contact List were distributed.]

Chair Salazar noted that he is putting the final information on the Master Contact List and he will send it out to each Board Member when it is done, before the end of the month. The list will consist of the main representatives/principals at the schools and the list of times of extracurricular events.

Chair Salazar asked if Officer Butler has been going to the schools.

Ms. Valdez said she did not think he has been to St. Michael's High School. Other Board Members were not sure if the officers have been to their schools.

Officer Butler said this school year is almost over but there are several police officers who want to be involved in the program next year.

Officer Butler distributed a handout on the Police-Youth Dialogue Project from New York. He said they heard about the Positive Youth Engagement Officer Program here and they would like the Board's input on starting youth leadership programs that will help the youth in New York to better know the police officers. They received \$10,000 in grant funding to do a project. [Please see *Exhibit "A"* for the specifics.]

Officer Butler said the Board Members could e-mail their ideas or input to Colin Lentz at <a href="lentz@courtinnovation.org">lentz@courtinnovation.org</a>.

# C. Health and Nutrition

Mr. Buchanan said he got approximately 500 medals donated for the Fun Run that is scheduled for May 18<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. at Salazar Elementary School. He noted that he made fliers in both English and Spanish and it was sent out to the students at Salazar Elementary School. He will also e-mail the fliers to the Board Members to distribute.

Mr. Buchanan mentioned that he also spoke with the P.E. teachers around town. He noted that there will be a raffle at the event.

Mr. Buchanan will place an ad in *The New Mexican*.

#### D. Food Drive

Ms. Kamon said the Food Drive was not a huge success. She noted that City Hall donated the most items and therefore they are the winner of the Food Drive.

She noted that the food bin at St. Michael's High School disappeared.

# E. Recruitment of Members

Brooke Shelton, Jerry Chavez, Ryan Ortiz, Tilcara Webb and Ben Zamora are interested in filling the Board vacancies [when the seniors leave].

Introductions were made. Each applicant gave a brief history of their respective backgrounds. The applicants were given a description of the responsibilities and role of Board Members. The Board also discussed their goals for the future, which includes a new teen center.

Mr. Soto moved to recommend approval of the above applicants: (Brooke Shelton, Jerry Chavez, Ryan Ortiz, Tilcara Webb and Ben Zamora) to fill the Board vacancies. Ms. Tari seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Chair Salazar thanked the applicants for being present today.

# F. Fundraiser

Ms. Tari reported that she has not had a chance to talk to Ana at Warehouse 21 but she will e-mail her.

The fundraiser (MYAB Supports Santa Fe) will be held on the sidewalk at Warehouse 21 on May 25<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Ms. Tari noted that she put this information on the Board's g-mail account.

Chair Salazar asked her to send an e-mail to the individual email accounts.

\*Of note, Ms. Tari sent a list of what the Board Members are supposed to bring for the fundraiser on May 15<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Ortiz will make a poster for the event.

# 6. DISCUSSION ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

Discussion items for the next meeting:

- 1) Officers in Schools (PYE) Program
- 2) Health and Nutrition
- 3) Fundraiser
- 4) Teen Center
- 5) Youth Summit Discussion
- 6) Convergence Project Proposal

The next meeting was scheduled for June 13, 2013 at 3:00 p.m.

# 7. MATTERS FROM THE BOARD

There were no matters from the Board.

# 8. MATTERS FROM THE FLOOR

There were no matters from the floor.

# 9. ADJOURNMENT

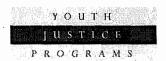
Having no further business to address, Mr. Soto moved to adjourn the meeting, second by Ms. Tari, the meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Approved by:

Adrian Salazar, Chair

Respectively submitted by:

Jo Ann G. Valdez, Stenographer



A Project of the Center for Court Innovation



# **Police-Youth Dialogue Project**

The Center for Court Innovation's Police-Youth Dialogue Project, funded by the U.S. Department of Justice's Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Office, will create a toolkit on organizing teen-police dialogues. The toolkit will guide jurisdictions around the nation that wish to implement facilitated conversations between police and young people as a means to build trust and understanding.

Police-teen dialogues allow participants to speak honestly about their experiences and, in doing so, find common ground.

Drawing from projects across the country that use positive communication strategies to improve police-youth relations, the toolkit will consolidate this expertise and provide promising practices in a single, concise resource.

This project will summarize research on current practices, explain the rationale for implementing teen-police dialogues, and provide guidance on how to carry out these conversations.

The project builds on the Center for Court Innovation's extensive experience collaborating with law enforcement and community groups, including the recent release of Talking It Through, a video documenting a teen-police dialogue sponsored by the Center's Youth Justice Board. (To watch the video, visit www.courtinnovation.org/YIB).

The project is seeking advice from experts, including community organizations, law enforcement agencies, and national organizations, as well as young people previously involved in youth leadership programs. These partners will help identify promising models, highlight potential challenges, and make recommendations to be incorporated in the toolkit.

To inform the development of the toolkit, project staff will explore innovative approaches in focus groups with young people and police officers in the Brownsville community of Brooklyn, where the Center is establishing the Brownsville Community Justice Center. The neighborhood is historically a high-crime community, now designated by the city as an "impact zone" for increased police presence. The neighborhood also has a high percentage of young residents: approximately one third of Brownsville's population is younger than 18. These factors make Brownsville an ideal place to test new community oriented policing strategies.

The Practitioner's Toolkit on Police-Youth Dialogues will be released online in fall 2014.

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