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MAYORS'S YOUTH ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

Monday, November 21, 2011 Teen Center 737 Agua Fria 4:45 – 6:00 pm

- 1. Call to Order
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- 3. Approval of Agenda
- 4. Approval of Minutes October 20, 2011
- 5. New Business:
 - A. Mentorship Festival
 - **B.** Voter Registration
 - C. Teen Center
 - D. Dates and Location of meetings.
- 6. Old Business:
 - A. Food Drive
 - **B.** Officers in Schools
 - C. Sustainability
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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MAYOR'S YOUTH ADVISORY BOARD

Teen Center

November 21, 2011

1. CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the City of Santa Fé Mayor's Youth Advisory Board was called to order on Monday, November 21, 2011, at approximately 4:45 p.m., by Lauren Buchanan, Chair, at the Teen Center, 737 Agua Fria, Santa Fé, New Mexico.

2. ROLL CALL

A quorum of Board members was present as follows:

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Lauren Buchanan, Chair Adrian Salazar, Vice-Chair Vaughn Fortier-Shultz Isaac Green [alternate] Martín Soto [alternate] Eliana Ward-Lev

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Councilor Carmichael Dominguez – Council Liaison Kamon Maris Tari

STAFF/OTHERS PRESENT:

Officer Nico Butler, Santa Fé Police Department Victor Vigil, Director, Teen Center Alli Valdez, guest Carl Boaz, Stenographer

There was a quorum of the membership in attendance.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Salazar moved to approve the agenda as presented. Mr. Green seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous voice vote.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - October 20, 2011

Mr. Salazar moved to approve the minutes of October 20, 2011 as presented. Ms. Ward-Lev seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous voice vote.

5. NEW BUSINESS

A. Mentorship Festival

Chair Buchanan reported that she told Ms. Tari that if she didn't come or respond that the Board would not do the festival. She sent emails and made phone calls and Ms. Tari didn't respond so the decision was not to do the festival.

Officer Butler commented that he wasn't on the email list. He handed out his card and it had his email address.

Mr. Fortier-Shultz said Mr. Soto did participate in the Festival before becoming a Board member.

B. Voter Registration

Mr. Soto and Ms. Ward-Lev were both interested in this project.

Chair Buchanan said someone came in to Santa Fé Prep to register voters and did register some.

Mr. Fortier-Shultz said he was registered to vote and it felt good. They have a person at the career center to do that.

Chair Buchanan asked everyone to check to see if someone was coming to their school to register eligible voters.

Chair Buchanan wondered what they could do about people who didn't go to high school, like at the Youth Shelter.

- Mr. Soto said those still had to go to school.
- Mr. Vigil thought they could do it at the teen center.
- Ms. Ward-Lev said you have to be within six months of 18 to register.

Chair Buchanan said they just needed to announce it at our schools.

Mr. Fortier-Shultz encouraged the Board to have one "to do" list so that everyone could know what they

were to do.

C. Teen Center

Chair Buchanan asked Mr. Vigil what was going on with the proposed teen center.

Mr. Vigil said all the funding for it got dropped four years ago.

Chair Buchanan thought they should work on an alternative.

Mr. Green volunteered to serve on a task force for that.

Chair Buchanan asked Mr. Vigil about the processes.

Mr. Green agreed to get with Mr. Vigil after the meeting.

Mr. Fortier-Shultz recalled they had a meeting at the South Side Library about it.

Chair Buchanan said Board members testified at the school board meeting.

Mr. Soto suggested they should pick some place this time that would more likely get approved.

Mr. Fortier-Shultz said they used to have a MYAB member on the school board. He thought Emily Durham from Santa Fé HS was on the board.

Officer Butler said renovating an existing building would be much cheaper than building a new one. He suggested checking into a building on the campus at Laureate.

D. Dates and Locations of Meetings

Chair Buchanan handed out a proposed list of meeting dates for 2012 and asked if any of those dates wouldn't work for the Board members.

The first was December 9 which was a Friday.

Ms. Ward-Lev would be out of town since she was getting out of school on Dec 3.

Chair Buchanan asked if Thursdays were better for people. There was general agreement.

Mr. Vigil suggested December 8th and the Board agreed.

Mr. Fortier-Shultz said June 14th was Flag Day and didn't know if that would affect anyone.

Mr. Soto agreed that ATC would be a good place to meet in December.

The Board decided in January to meet at Desert Academy instead of Santa Fé Prep.

February 16th at Santa Fé High School was okay.

Mr. Fortier-Shultz pointed out that the library actually had two conference rooms and they should reserve one of them.

For March, Chair Buchanan was on spring break on the 22nd. Santa Fé High was also.

Ms. Ward-Lev wasn't sure when their spring break was and suggested they postpone setting the March meeting to the next meeting.

April 19th was approved.

Mr. Green liked March 29th for the March meeting.

Mr. Vigil suggested May 10th instead of May 17th to avoid conflict with finals.

Chair Buchanan reminded the Board that by March they will start getting applicants for new members.

Mr. Salazar asked that meeting changes be approved by the whole Board.

Mr. Soto agreed and said everyone should respond so Chair Buchanan knew everyone received their email.

6. OLD BUSINESS

A. Food Drive

Chair Buchanan said the food drive was not very successful because a coat drive was also going on. They put food in the container for coats so a ton of food was donated but not to our food drive.

Mr. Fortier-Shultz had similar problem at Santa Fé High.

Mr. Salazar said the National Honor Society had the other food drive.

Chair Buchanan felt November was not the best time. Maybe September would be better or wait until the spring.

Ms. Ward-Lev agreed - maybe March.

Officer Butler agreed that everyone was doing something near the holidays.

B. Officers in Schools

Officer Butler reported that he mentioned this to the deputy chief. It would be difficult to get anyone else. He was going to try to get Louie but he had citizen's academy and might not be a good match. Three to four people would be coming out of the academy soon. Louie is fluent in Spanish.

Mr. Soto said Louie was kind of strict and intimidating.

Officer Butler thought after the holidays maybe they could get someone. It was hard to get a patrol officer to do that. They only had 147 cops for the whole city including detectives to cover 24 hours 7 days a week. ATC, Prep, Santa Fé High, Desert Academy and Capital had approval but he couldn't do them all.

He was trying to find a Spanish speaking person at Capital because there were so many Spanish speaking students.

- Mr. Soto thought Louie might be good there because he was stricter.
- Mr. Fortier-Shultz asked if a police officer would be well received at Capital.

Chair Buchanan suggested they might have someone else at Prep. But there were more kids at Capital.

Officer Butler pointed out that if they did it at lunch periods, they could get lunch and that way you could get a patrol officer at lunch time. That would give them a person in uniform. The Deputy Chief wanted to come to a MYAB meeting.

Chair Buchanan agreed to email her.

C. Sustainability

Chair Buchanan was working on getting a bag tax (5 cents per bag). It was hard right now because of the economy.

Mr. Fortier-Shultz thought it was a good measure.

Chair Buchanan agreed to continue working on it and report back.

She was a member of Youth Allies which was a part of Earth Care. Their next meeting would be on a Saturday in December. She was one of the organizers and described what they were doing. In December they were sewing for homeless kids. She agreed to send out information on it.

7. DISCUSSION ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

Officer Butler said the Police Dept was starting an anti-bullying campaign. They would use a power point presentation with students. They were looking for contact people at each school.

- Mr. Soto said their counselor had some short movies on it.
- Mr. Green said Desert has had a good student-led program on it.
- Ms. Ward-Lev said she would get him what they were doing.

Officer Butler asked them to just email him the stuff.

Officer Butler described their program. He pointed out that with sexual harassment; kids didn't know what laws they were breaking.

Mr. Green asked if they were interested in a student led element.

Officer Butler said that was possible. It was in its infancy. So email me that stuff including the school contact person.

Chair Buchanan announced a sustainability training coming up soon. She agreed to send information to everyone.

Mr. Fortier-Shultz suggested a good project to pursue would be to help students be more aware of their rights.

Ms. Ward-Lev mentioned a student academy.

Officer Butler thought that was a good idea. He could set up a power point on it.

Ms. Ward-Lev agreed to email something on it.

The Board had a discussion on Occupy. Officer Butler explained the police protocol they used.

Mr. Salazar asked Chair Buchanan if she had a master email list. She did. He asked her to please send it out to everyone so all members know what they needed to know.

Mr. Salazar volunteered to help with the tax project.

After a brief discussion regarding the Teen Center Chair Buchanan agreed to put that on the next agenda.

8.	MATTERS FROM THE COMMITTEE			
	There were no matters from the Committee.			
9.	MATTERS FROM THE FLOOR			
	There were no matters from the floor.			
10. ADJOURNMENT				
Chair Buchanan moved to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Ward-Lev seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous voice vote at 6:15 p.m.				
		Approved by:		
Su	bmitted by:	Lauren Buchanan, Chair		