



Minutes of the Mayor's Youth Advisory Commission held

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on March 2, 2010 7:00 p.m., at the Tempe, Public Library Board Room, 3500 S. Rural Road 2nd Floor, Tempe, Arizona.

A quorum was not met. Therefore no official action could take place.

MEMBERS Present: J'nnen Allsup, Nicholas Gaitan, Jevin Hodge, Amber Houser, Lauren Milovich, Ben Moffat, Anjali Nair, David Reynolds, Kristen Rund, and Marcos Souffle.

MEMBERS Absent: Francesca DiCesare, Jeff Darge, Maria Eller, Dirk Fenstermacher, Rafael Gutierrez, Enrico Lage, Preston Long, Katrina Rodrigues, An Tran, and Kaylee Wong.

City Staff Present: Kim Bauman

Guests Present: None

Agenda Item 1- Call Meeting to Order

Jevin Hodge, MYAC Chair called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.

Agenda Item 2– Minutes from February 2, 2010 Meeting

The minutes from the February 2, 2010 meeting were reviewed. The minutes could not be approved as a quorum was not met.

Agenda Item 3 – Treasurer's Report

J'nnen Allsup provided the Treasurer's Report.

Agenda Item 4- Announcements

Kim Bauman announced the following:

- 1) The YouthFest 2010 Courage Awards and Tempe Top Teens Recognition will be held on Monday, April 5th 6 – 9 p.m. at the Tempe Mission Palms Hotel. Members who wish to attend the event need to RSVP to Kim by March 17th and would need to arrive at 5 p.m. to assist with event set-up and registration. Members must have transportation to and from the event.
- 2) MY FEST '10 will be held on Saturday, April 3rd 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Tempe Beach Park. The City's All Stars and Tempe Top Youth Leaders, a peer leadership group that focuses on efforts to reduce underage drinking in Tempe, will have a booth at the event. MYAC member expressed interest in joining this booth to provide information on the Commission.

Agenda Item 5 – Youth Leadership Day

David Reynolds, who is also a member of the Governor's Youth Commission, provided an update on their upcoming annual Youth Leadership Day:

- 1) The event will be held Wednesday, April 14th, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the State Capitol. The theme this year is "A Passion to Serve." Youth from around the State will be invited to attend the event.
- 2) Kim Bauman should be contacted by the Governor's Office in the near future regarding the event and registration procedure.
- 3) The following MYAC members expressed an interest in attending the event: Jevin Hodge, Nick Gaitan, Amber Houser, and Marcos Souffle.

Agenda Item 6- "Reading Rocks" Project

- 1) **Kim Bauman** and **Jevin Hodge** provided an update on the "Reading Rocks" Project.
 - A small group of members who had indicated at our previous meeting they could be available to provide an activity on March 2nd met last Wednesday. They planned an activity at three Kid Zone sites that highlighted "Read Across America Day" and Dr. Seuss's birthday, which are both on March 2nd.
 - MYAC members emphasized the importance of reading and highlighted the Tempe Public Library's Discover, Read & Explore Program. If students read seven books by April 29th they will receive a free nonfiction book from the library. In addition, as a "Reading Rocks" site they will also receive a free fiction book from MYAC. MYAC members also read a Dr. Seuss book to students, had them participate in a related activity, and ended by having students recite the "Readers Oath."
 - **Jevin Hodge** and **Nick Gaitan** provided the activity at the Broadmor and Curry Elementary Schools Kid Zone sites. **J'nnen Allsup** and **Kristen Rund** provided the activity at the Mariposa Elementary School Kid Zone site. They shared their experiences with other MYAC members and were in consensus that it was a really fun activity and very well received by the students.
- 2) MYAC members then broke into two planning groups and determined the day of the week and dates they will provide two additional "Reading Rocks" activities.
 - Mariposa activities will occur on Tuesday, March 30th and Tuesday, April 26th.
 - Curry and Broadmor activities will occur on Thursday, April 1st and Thursday, April 29th.
 - Members were in agreement that the project will revolve around the Dr. Seuss book The Lorax and will include activities that emphasize the environment and are science related. These activities will complement Earth Day, which is April 22nd, and the Library's science themed Discover, Read & Explore Program.
 - MYAC members will finalize their next activity at their March 23rd meeting.

Agenda Item 7- Future Agenda Items

- Reading Rocks Project
- Meeting with Mayor Hallman and Councilmembers

The Commission's next meeting will be **March 23, 2010**.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

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Reviewed by: Kim Bauman

Jevin Hodge, Chair
Mayor's Youth Advisory Commission