

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF
THE MAYOR'S YOUTH COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF
CALABASAS, CALIFORNIA
HELD WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17, 2021**

Chair Jacob Rosoff called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. via Zoom Teleconferencing.

Present: Mayor Bozajian, Councilmember Weintraub, Mayor's Youth Council Board members, and Mayor's Youth Council Advisory Board members.

Absent: Alexandra Kurciska, Gia Perel, Kearston Stepenosky.

Staff: Maricela Hernandez, City Clerk

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Matthew Shapiro.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/INTRODUCTIONS

There were no announcements or introductions.

ORAL COMMUNICATION - PUBLIC COMMENT

No one spoke during public comment.

CONSENT

1. Approval of meeting minutes from February 9, 2021

Zachary Rosoff moved to approve the minutes, and Malysa Eddy seconded. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote as follows:

AYES: Eddy, Elginer, Grayson, Haber, Improta, Kolanu, Konheim, Matalon, Mazaheri, Naziri, Z. Rosoff, J. Rosoff, Samuel, Shapiro, Spiegel, Sweeney and Toufighi

ABSENT: Alexandra Kurciska, Gia Perel, Kearston Stepenosky

NEW BUSINESS

2. Report from subcommittee leaders and discussion of respective events

Malysa Eddy reported the following for the Civic Engagement subcommittee:

- Advertising for the MYC Cup will be through the MYC Communications subcommittee and school announcements.
- For the Women's History Panel, the subcommittee will focus on collecting interview questions and choosing a panel. Suggested participants are Alicia Weintraub, Maricela Hernandez, Linda Lohill and Mary Sue Maurer.
- The gaga pit will be planned at De Anza Park or Gates Canyon Park.
- The 30th Anniversary Block Party will be scheduled after Covid-19 restrictions are lifted.
- The Pumpkin Festival is currently undecided due to Covid-19.

Matthew Shapiro reported the following for the Communications subcommittee:

- The subcommittee will divide up tasks based on people's strengths.
- The subcommittee would like to utilize *The Acorn* and other social media tools to publicize MYC events.

Councilmember Weintraub explained that the City's Communications Department through Ms. Hernandez could help with communications. Ms. Hernandez added that Adam Jaysen will provide Instagram account information. Mayor Bozajian requested the subcommittee work on a forum for the California recall election, with Yes or No campaigns.

Olivia Haber reported the following for the Cultural Awareness & Diversity Subcommittee:

- Their meeting was focused on Indigenous People's Day, which takes place in October.
- They plan to contact local Native American leaders as speakers and to reach out to the Calabasas Library to gather resources for educating about Native culture.

Zachary Samuel reported the following for the Environmental subcommittee:

- Their first meeting was focused on issues including rodenticides, fire safety, the environmental impacts of vaping, and solar panels.
- The subcommittee would like to work on an Earth Week and Creek cleanup events between April 22 and April 30. This would involve an "Instagram takeover" with environmental facts or resources.

Mayor Bozajian stated that Ms. Hernandez would work with the City's Public Works Department to schedule the Environmental subcommittee events. Councilmember Weintraub explained that the City is on target to move down to the orange tier by April, which would make it easier for the proposed Earth Week events.

Jordan Matalon reported the following for the Wellness subcommittee:

- The subcommittee would like to focus on the pandemic by holding a food and clothing drive and by writing letters to people in nursing homes.
- For anti-bullying, they would work on holding webinars to explain the effects of bullying.

Grace Schecter offered to provide a Wellness Guide that her Viewpoint club put together, which includes tips to deal with the effects of online school.

Zachary Rosoff suggested having guest speakers participate in MYC meetings throughout the year, each representing an MYC subcommittee. Mayor Bozajian suggested having guest speakers as a separate event from the MYC meetings, and Councilmember Weintraub voiced support for a speaker series, maybe in person after the pandemic. Councilmember Weintraub suggested the Wellness subcommittee first start with a food and clothing drive. Councilmember Weintraub explained events could possibly be hosted safely outside, perhaps at the amphitheater behind Founders Hall.

Benjamin Sweeney suggested making a task list with the most important events/projects that they want to focus on for the year. Jacob Rosoff agreed, as he would like the subcommittees to be more active and to accomplish more.

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned the meeting 6:29 p.m. to a date to be determined.

Zachary Rosoff, Secretary of the Mayor's Youth Council