# MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR'S YOUTH COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CALABASAS, CALIFORNIA HELD TUESDAY, MARCH 4, 2020

Chair Jaysen called the meeting to order at 6:00 in the Council Chambers, 100 Civic Center Way, Calabasas CA.

Present: Mayor Weintraub, Councilman Shapiro, and Mayor's Youth Council members.

Absent: Sophia Gracile, Benjamin Reznick, Sean Stepenosky, and Sina Christine Suitonu.

Staff: Maricela Hernandez, City Clerk

# PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The pledge of allegiance was led by Chair Jaysen.

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS/INTRODUCTIONS**

There were no announcements or introductions.

#### **ORAL COMMUNICATION - PUBLIC COMMENT**

No one spoke during public comment.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Approval of meeting minutes from January 28, 2020

Leah Winter motioned, seconded by Katie Pool to approve the minutes from January 28, 2020. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Discussion of each committee leaders ideas and plans:

Civic engagement members discussed the idea of having a neighborhood yard sale. Additionally, creating an opportunity fair entailing different booths with a variety of organizations and political leaders to offer teens volunteer opportunities.

Voter registration members discussed their drive, which resulted in fourteen registrations. The committee held their first young voter informational night on

February 25 with Mayor pro Tem Bozajian and Councilmember Gaines as guest speakers.

Gun-Safety/Anti-Bullying members discussed creating an anonymous survey regarding the topics Gun-Safety and Anti-Bullying to obtain student's opinions on the subject matters.

Personal Wellness members discussed holding a mental health fair over a weekend. Leah Winter commented that Mia Shpiner has a blog, which takes anonymous posts and shares it among students.

Climate Change/Environment members discussed having potential speakers educate teenagers about environmental and climate change within the community. An organization known as "Tree People" has done prior projects in Calabasas and is interested in doing an event for Earth Day. They will publicize it through social media platforms and make flyers to put around the City.

Human Rights members discussed helping the homeless in local communities and holding volunteer opportunities at soup kitchens. They also discussed promoting LGBTQ through the club GenUN and holding a color run. The color run would be located in De Anza Park and could be held in June. There was discussion of holding a speaker series about sexually transmitted diseases, sexual harassment, and consent lectures. Additionally, they discussed creating a website for teenage employment opportunities in which local businesses could contact MYC with job openings.

# 3. Open Discussion:

Adam Selivanov discussed having a district board member attend the MYC meetings in order to listen to ideas and support their events. Another idea was discussed to have a MYC representative attend LVUSD board meetings to expand on MYC conversations. The MYC could include a liaison from each individual school such as Calabasas, Viewpoint, De Toledo, Chaminade, A.E. Wright, Lindero, and Agoura.

Chloe Alpert suggested the color run should be targeted towards families and have influential members of the LGBTQ community spread awareness. Civic Engagement could have tables to sign up for organizations and community service within the community. Ella Reznick suggested putting the profits towards an organization and including local sponsors at the color run.

Jameson Wilke suggested the MYC hold speaker series about school related topics such as labor laws and sex education.

Chair Jaysen reported he has been working on setting up a comedy night for Calabasas and including Howie Mendel to headline. Additionally, he has reached out to Comedy Sports at Calabasas High School and desires to create a fun night for comedy before finals. It could be a charity event and would target a teenage audience.

Chase Vanias suggested implementing education towards vaping through a speaker series event and bringing awareness to the topic.

Discussion of having four overall speaker series a year and each to be targeted towards a specific topic. The goal is to educate the public and bring awareness to very important issues.

The MYC concurred on ideas to hold a color run and a comedy night.

# **ADJOURN - 7:30**

Jeremy White moved, seconded by Leah Winter, to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m. to the next meeting on April 29, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Gia Perel, Secretary of the Mayor's Youth Council