



**San Francisco Youth Commission
Youth Civic Engagement Committee
Draft ~ Minutes**

Wednesday, September 21, 2016

4:00~6:00 PM

City Hall, Room 345

1. Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Pl.

San Francisco, CA 94102

There will be public comment on each item.

Members: Joshua Park, Noah David, Chiara Lind, Griffin Ng

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 4:07 pm. Commissioners present: Joshua Park, Noah David, Chiara Lind. Staff present: Kiely Hosmon. There was quorum. Not present: Griffin Ng.

There was no public comment.

2. Approval of Agenda (Action Item)

Commissioner Lind, seconded by Commissioner Park, moved to approve the agenda. There was no public comment. The motion was approved by acclamation.

3. Approval of Minutes (Action Item)

A. May 5, 2016
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Commissioner David, seconded by Commissioner Park, moved to approve the minutes. There was no public comment. The motion was approved by acclamation.

4. Public Comment on Items not on Agenda (Discussion Only)

There was no public comment.

5. Business (All Items to Follow Discussion and Possible Action)

A. Team Building Activity

Staff led Commissioners through a team building exercise. Commissioner Ng arrived at 4:15pm

B. Review of past YC work on civic engagement and voting rights



Staff led Commissioners through a voting rights timeline activity. Discussed their opinions on the importance of voting and what it means and, in particular, focused on groups/communities that have been historically left out and excluded from voting from past to present. Staff used this curriculum: <http://ww2.kqed.org/lowdown/2016/08/25/the-fight-to-vote-a-history-of-voting-rights-in-america/>

C. Updates on student engagement efforts for 2015-16 term

Commissioners Park and David gave a brief overview of the work that this Committee did last year. The main focus was getting Vote16 (now Prop F) on the ballot.

D. Brainstorm and Discussion of committee member goals for term

- Young Voters Forum
- Ballot Debrief
- Youth Advocacy Day
- Youth Voice aka Youth Vote (focus on how to use the data to advise the city). Could do it in two ways: 1) launch event for data in order to publicize it 2) pull the data into an online data base for youth advocates to use. Could apply for YEF funds for something like this as financial support and possibly bring in Peer Resources as fiscal sponsor.
- If Vote16/Prop F passes: implementation phase in effect
- If Vote16/Prop F doesn't pass: work with the School Board to do pre-registration of 16 and 17 years (voter registration focus)
- Poll workers, voter education ambassador work
- Look into Department of Elections and some of their decisions on voting initiatives (increase voter turnout)
- Prop N work but not until off the ballot

Commissioners are to rank these in order of what they want to work on and bring their lists to the next Committee meeting.

E. Election of Committee Chair

Commissioner David, seconded by Commissioner Ng, nominated Commissioner David to serve as committee chair. Commissioner Park, seconded by Commissioner David, nominated Commissioner Park to serve as Committee Chair. Commissioners Ng, Lind, and Park voted for Commissioner Park. Commissioner David voted for David. Commissioner Park is elected Chair of the Civic Engagement Committee with 3 of 4 votes.

F. Election of Committee Vice Chair

Commissioner David, seconded by Commissioner Lind, nominated Commissioner David to serve as committee vice chair. Commissioners David, Ng, Lind, and Park voted for Commissioner David. Commissioner David is elected Vice Chair of the Civic Engagement Committee with 4 of 4 votes.

6. Staff Report



-Staff would like every Commissioner to bring in a team building or icebreaker activity or question for the group. Commissioners can pick who will do it next the previous meeting.

-We the Voters event. [The Youth Empowerment Academy](#), [The Mix @ SFPL](#), and [We the Voters](#) is throwing an intergenerational, art-filled event for our struggling democracy on Voter Appreciation Day -- **TUES, September 27 from 5:30pm to 7:30pm** at the Mix.

-Committee decides to meet at 4:15pm instead of 4pm moving forward.

7. Executive Committee Report

EC has yet to meet so no report this week. Commissioner Lind will be the one in charge of doing EC reports.

8. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30pm