

San Francisco Youth Commission Agenda Monday, June 5, 2017 5:15 pm~8:00 pm City Hall, Room 278 1. Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Pl. San Francisco, CA 94102

There will be public comment on each item.

Madeleine Matz (Chair), William Juarez (Vice Chair), Martin Krause, Lily Marshall-Fricker, Lisa Yu, Joshua Park, Cris Plunkett, Mary Claire Amable, Emma David, Noah David, Hugo Vargas, Cecilia Nicole Galeano, Jarrett Mao, Jonathan Mesler, Griffin Ng, Chiara Lind

- 1. Call to Order and Roll Call for Attendance
- 2. Approval of Agenda (Action Item)
- 3. Approval of Minutes (Action Item)
 - A. May 15, 2017 (Document A)
- 4. Public Comment on Items not on Agenda (Discussion Only)
- 5. Presentations (All Items to Follow Discussion and Possible Action)
 - A. Presentation on The Beat Within Presenter: David Inocencio, Director and Founder, and Lisa Lavaysse, Program Director and Volunteer Coordinator, The Beat Within
 - B. Presentation on Organ and Tissue Donation Presenter: Kristina Ruiz-Healy, Community Development Liaison, Donor Network West

6. Youth Commission Business (All Items to Follow Discussion and Possible Action)

- A. [Second Reading] Resolution No. 1617-AL- 11 [Youth Commission Recommendations for the 2018-2023 Youth Empowerment Allocation] Sponsors: Commissioners Amable and Matz (Document B)
- B. Youth Commission Motion No. 1617-AL- 15 [Motion to Issue a Letter supporting San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency's (SFMTA) application for the Advanced Transportation and Congestion Management Technologies Deployment (ATCMTD) federal grant]



Sponsor: Housing, Recreation and Transit Committee Presenter: William Tyner, SFMTA (Documents C and D)

- C. Discussion on Youth Commissioner Schedules and Summer Meetings Sponsors: Executive Committee
- D. Debrief and Celebration of the Year Sponsors: Executive Committee

7. Committee Reports (Discussion Only)

- A. Executive Committee
- B. Housing, Recreation and Transportation Committee
- C. Immigration, Justice and Employment Committee
- D. Civic Engagement Committee
- E. Our Children Our Family Council

8. Staff Report (Discussion Only)

9. Announcements (This Includes Community Events)

10. Adjournment

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San Francisco Youth Commission Minutes ~ Draft Monday, May 15, 2017 5:15 pm~8:00 pm City Hall, Room 421 1. Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Pl. San Francisco, CA 94102

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1. Call to Order and Roll Call for Attendance

Chair Matz called the meeting to order at 5:22pm.

Commissioners present: Madeleine Matz, William Juarez, Lily Marshall-Fricker, Lisa Yu, Joshua Park, Mary Claire Amable, Noah David, Jarrett Mao, Jonathan Mesler, Griffin Ng, Martin Krause, Cris Plunkett, Emma David.

Commissioners absent: Cecilia Nicole Galeano, Chiara Lind, Hugo Vargas. There was quorum.

2. Approval of Agenda (Action Item)

Commissioner Parl, seconded by Commissioner Juarez, motioned to approve the agenda. Motion was passed by acclamation. There was no public comment.

3. Approval of Minutes (Action Item)

A. May 8, 2017 (Document A)

Commissioner Mao, seconded by Commissioner N. David, motioned to approve the minutes. Motion was passed by acclamation.

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

There was no public comment.

- 5. Legislation Referred by the Board of Supervisors (All Items to Follow Discussion and Possible Action)
 - A. BOS File No. 170441 [Health Code Banning the Sale of Flavored Tobacco Products]



Sponsors: Malia Cohen, Ahsha Safai, London Breed, Mark Farrell, Jeff Sheehy, Katy Tang

Presenter: Brittni Chicuata, Legislative Aide to District 10 Supervisor Malia Cohen (Document B)

This legislation prohibits the sale of flavored tobacco products. BREATHE CA previously presented to us about this. Brittni spoke about the tobacco industry and their insidious ways of targeting youth: they mask the flavor, taste good, and allow addiction to happen easier.

Restricting flavored tobacco can help decrease preventative health dangers. Targeted marketing occurs with already vulnerable populations: LGBTQ, black communities, and other communities of colors.

Menthol is a large target of this legislation as many of marginalized communities smoke menthols and start there. People who are below poverty level are more likely to smoke.

SF pays 380 million dollars in health care finances for smoking related health care costs.

Question/Comments:

Commissioner Marshall-Fricker: thinks this is a really important policy.

Commissioner Matz-did BREATH CA bring this idea to Cohen's office or vice versa? The Youth Commission was enthusiastic about their presentation. Brittni has been working on this for almost a year and before that was working with a heart association organization so BREATHE didn't write the legislation but they provided input.

Commissioner Plunkett-the focus is on selling, but is there any part focused on arrest on those buying the products? Answer: this law is only on retailers so it's only on selling of it. If a consumer purchased it somewhere else and came to city hall and sold them, you would not be criminalized as an individual since you are not a retailer. It's about changing the environment, not the individual.

There was no public comment.

Commissioner N. David, second by Commissioner Krause, motioned to this this legislation. The motion was passed by acclamation.

6. Presentations (All Items to Follow Discussion and Possible Action)

A. Presentation on CHALK Power Youth Movement Conference Presenter: Andrea Juarez, Director, Youth Funding Youth Ideas, CHALK

CHALK youth members Dorian, TreyVon, and Renee were the presenters.

On June 17th from 11am-5pm at Leadership High School (350 Seneca Ave) there is a free Power Youth Movement conference and the Youth Commission is invited. This is not just a conference; it is a call to action to make change. There will be two sets of workshops: first based on history, second based on taking action and all with a social justice focus. www.PYMconference.org for more information.



Lunch and breakfast provided and there will be performances with a keynote speaker as well as vendors that will be selling things under \$25. Really want the focus to be on youth connecting with other youth and even East Bay youth are invited. There will be raffle prizes, too.

Commissioner Marshall-Fricker -what can we do to support you? A motion of support?

Commissioner Amable-have you already done outreach and who have you outreached to? They have hit up different nonprofits and most SFUSD schools. They have an outreach committee on the project, sending out flyers, too. Commissioner Amable-how do you RSVP? On the website

Commissioner Mao, seconded by Commissioner Marshall-Fricker, motioned to support this conference. The motion was passed by acclamation.

Chair Matz-Is it possible to have a table there so the Youth Commission can do some voter preregistration outreach? Yes. Commissioner Park connected with the CHALK youth.

7. Youth Commission Business (All Items to Follow Discussion and Possible Action)

 A. [Second Reading] Resolution 1617-AL- 09 [Resolution to Highlight the Societal and Economic Impacts of Alcohol Density in San Francisco] Sponsor: Civic Engagement Committee (Document C)

This resolution was read into the record for the second time.

Comments/discussion:

Commissioner Amable-second to last resolved clause, Community is missing in mention of South of Market organization. Page 4, line 19 Community is also missing in South of Market

Chair Matz-If you have grammar or punctuation that is not content related, please mark it on the paper and mark it on the page that there are edits. If it is content related bring it up to the group on the record.

Second resolve clause to include that "YC urges..." just as in first and third clause.

There was no public comment.

Commissioner Marshall-Fricker, seconded by Commissioner N. David, motioned to adopt pending grammatical errors that will be edited. The motion was passed by acclamation.

B. [Second Reading] Resolution 1617-AL- 10 [Resolution urging the Mayor and Board of Supervisors to investigate the reproductive health service needs of young San Franciscans in light of the impending closure of New Generation Health Center] Sponsor: Civic Engagement Committee (Document D)

This resolution was read into the record for the second time.

Discussion/Comments:



Staff-spelling out 'Youth Commission urges'... in the resolved clauses.

Commissioner Marshall-Fricker, seconded by Commissioner Juarez, motioned to approve this resolution. The motion was passed by acclamation.

 C. [Second Reading] Resolution 1617-AL- 12 [Resolution urging the Mayor and Board of Supervisors to ensure the implementation of the Sunlight Ordinance] Sponsor: Commissioner Lisa Yu (Document E)

This resolution was read into the record for the second time.

Comments/discussion:

Staff- add semi colons before "and's".

There was no public comment.

Commissioner Park, seconded by Commissioner Amable, motioned to generally support this resolution. The motion was passed by acclamation.

 D. [Second Reading] Resolution 1617-AL- 13 [Resolution Urging the Mayor and Board of Supervisors to Adopt a Formal Definition of Family Housing] Sponsor: Commissioner Emma David (Document F)

This resolution was read into the record for the second time.

Comments/discussion:

Staff- add semi colons before "and's".

There was no public comment.

Commissioner Marshall-Fricker, seconded by Commissioner Plunkett, motioned to approve this resolution. The motion was passed by acclamation.

E. [Second Reading] Resolution 1617-AL- 14 [Resolution Urging the Mayor and Board of Supervisors to Adopt Legislation That Incentivize and Promotes the Construction of Family Housing and Prioritizes Families with Dependents in the Inclusionary Housing Selection Process] Sponsor: Commissioner Emma David (Document G)

This resolution was read into the record for the second time.

Comments/discussion:



Commissioner Amable-what is the difference between downtown and Civic Center? In this case we're talking about overcrowding in SROs so instead of saying Civic Center should say Tenderloin when it comes to SRO overcrowding.

Staff- add semi colons before "and's".

There was no public comment.

Commissioner Yu, seconded by Commissioner Plunkett, motioned to approve this resolution. The motion was passed by acclamation.

 F. [Second Reading] Youth Commission Budget & Policy Priorities for Fiscal Years 2017-2018, and 2018-2019 (Document H)

A 4 minute recess taken. The meeting back to order at 6:23pm.

Chair Matz reminded folks to pay attention as we do want edits and suggestions. We will approve priorities individually and at the end will approve the document in its entirety at the end.

Priority 1 was tabled for later as updated supplementary documents are being printed.

Priority 2: Edits will be done the same as the above resolutions so mark little grammatical errors and packet and turn into staff. This priority was read into the record for a second time.

There was no public comment. There was no comment or discussion.

Commissioner N. David, seconded by Commissioner Yu, motioned to approve this priority. The motion was passed by acclamation.

Priority 3: This priority was read into the record for a second time. Commissioner Yu-clarify the differences of Civic Center and/or Tenderloin as to clarify the districts.

There was no public comment.

Commissioner Park, seconded by Commissioner N. David, motioned to approve this priority. The motion was passed by acclamation.

Priority 4: This priority was read into the record for a second time. Staff-put in a timeframe edit for the CPA survey, Commissioner Matz- take out the thank you to Maria Su and put it somewhere else in the document since it's technically not a recommendation.

There was no public comment.

Commissioner Mesler, seconded by Commissioner N. David, motioned to approve this priority. The motion was passed by acclamation.

Priority 5: This priority was read into the record for a second time. There were no content edits.

There was no public comment.



Commissioner Mao, seconded by Commissioner Yu, motioned to approve this priority. The motion was passed by acclamation.

Priority 6: Staff-citations for direct quotes needed as footnotes. Consider including the SOMA in the line in 4th paragraph above recommendations. Staff- In final paragraph of background what was being referred to with the Maher quote about trading shadows for dollars-what's the context? Commissioner Matz-Do you have recommendations about the enforcement versus just the discussion piece of this? Is there something more that you want the City to do besides just get community input? A hearing could be great to ask for but could be a second recommendation.

Staff-if there was a sense this hasn't been implemented and so it's important to state that. Or to ask for a hearing to hear the number of planning proposals that have been modified due to Prop K.

There was no public comment.

Commissioner Marshall-Fricker, seconded by Commissioner Mao, motioned to approve this priority. The motion was passed by acclamation.

Priority 7: Commissioner Matz-It says "prioritize", which Matz thinks is light and wants to say "include" instead of prioritize. Commissioner Marshall-Fricker: isn't prioritize stronger? Matz thinks it's stricter to use include vs. prioritize. Spell out TAY.

There was no public comment.

Commissioner N. David, seconded by Commissioner Mesler, motioned to approve this priority. The motion was passed by acclamation.

Priority 8: Staff-Need to clear up some of the dates of meetings. Add in resolution number of BoE comment.

There was no public comment.

Commissioner Marshall-Fricker, seconded by Commissioner Mesler, motioned to approve this priority. The motion was passed by acclamation.

Priority 9: Commissioner Matz-lots of movement on this particular BPP which is exciting and wants to highlight this. Commissioner Park-second paragraph on background change 17 year history to 20 year history. Date and memo numbers will be updated.

There was no public comment.

Commissioner Juarez, seconded by Commissioner Marshall-Fricker, motioned to approve this priority. The motion was passed by acclamation.

Priority 10: Commissioner Park-enter community after SOMCAN. Staff-in first paragraph of recent updates about last sentence of powerful testimony (where did they share testimony?) and recommendations number two: could also ask for health impact analysis. Citations needed.



There was no public comment.

Commissioner Marshall-Fricker, seconded by Commissioner N. David, motioned to approve this priority. The motion was passed by acclamation.

Priority 11: Staff-in updates section it would be helpful to be specific of what DCYF was committing to (said they would triple up the trainings to providers). Commend DCYF on their commitment to the support of this and moving forward, but are moving forward in limited incremental ways. Recommendation 2: around collecting data on foster care which is part of HSA data collection and would be good to have teeth to data collection and that it's followed up on and departments have things to implement it. Can hold DCYF accountable in rec 4 in last line to have plan include language in RFP process and make it its own recommendation and to separate this out. So can hold them accountable to a very specific thing. In rec 2 from community folks said that queer youth service providers are saying they aren't asking/using best practices of talking with youth so as to include that ensuring that departments are working with folks who know how to work with queer youth.

Staff-how is the "I" being used for the acronym of LGBTQIQ as it isn't stated in the admin code itself. So be careful and consistent of acronym usage.

There was no public comment.

Commissioner Marshall-Fricker, seconded by Commissioner Amable, motioned to approve this priority. The motion was passed by acclamation.

Priority 12: Staff-add in 25 units are coming online next month at BT Washington site. Recs 1 and 2 could be combined, whereas rec 3 could be two distinct recs. Break up number 3 and have one be about the housing and one be about the service needs with units coming online.

There was no public comment.

Commissioner N. David, seconded by Commissioner Marshall-Fricker, motioned to approve this priority. The motion was passed by acclamation.

Priority 13:

Discussion: Commissioner Marshall-Fricker thinks priorities 12 and 13 should be merged together. Commissioner Mao-most of our former asks for 13 were covered in new Dept of Homelessness priorities as they are planning to revisit the methodology. Year of Homeless youth should just be added as a rec to priority 12.

Staff-recommend that the writing of 13 go with 12 since it's so well written. Supervisor Sheehy's office asked for a report of homeless youth from the Youth Commission and that was the framework of how they structured the youth homelessness hearing last week. In the hearing staff said they were putting together new recs and we would put them forward at the continued hearing. The City is waiting for your recs so it might be more powerful if you give one report versus giving them two.

Commissioner Matz-great writing in number 13 and wants to see if preserved somehow.



There was no public comment.

Commissioner Marshall-Fricker, seconded by Commissioner Mao, motioned to combine priorities 12 and 13 and approve the priority. The motion was passed by acclamation.

Priority 1: Chair Matz went back to Priority 1 as we now have the supplemental doc. Staff-be consistent with LBGT acronym and include "What Now" event. On second page speaking of compensation of youth take out "whenever possible" and just put in a direct ask for youth to be compensated for advocacy, advising of adults.

Commissioner Park, seconded by Commissioner Amable, motioned to approve this priority pending edits from the upcoming Youth Town Hall. The motion was passed by acclamation.

There was no public comment.

Commissioner Mao wanted to reopen **Priority 13** for slight edit: Commissioner Maorecommends to let have TAY receive an equitable amount of funds from Youth Empowerment Allocation fund. Staff-this is talked about as 1/3 of the growth fund.

There was no public comment.

Commissioner N. David, seconded by Commissioner Marshall-Fricker, motioned to approve this priority with the suggestion from Mao on portions of the growth fund going towards TAY. The motion was passed by acclamation.

Commissioner Park, seconded by Commissioner Ng, motioned to approve the entire document. The motion was passed by acclamation.

G. Discussion on Key to the City: Youth Empowerment & Organizing Townhall Sponsor: Youth Commission Staff

4:30-7 this Wednesday at the Mix.

Facilitators are prepping at 4:30pm tomorrow at the office. Connect with Adele if you would like to help out.

8. Committee Reports (Discussion Only)

A. Executive Committee

Youth Fiber Survey is complete.

B. Housing, Recreation and Transportation Committee

Worked on BPPs.

C. Immigration, Justice and Employment Committee

Worked on BPPs and Town Hall meeting.

D. Civic Engagement Committee



Received grant from BLING. Worked on pre-registration outreach.

E. Our Children Our Family Council

Commissioner Galeano is not here to report back.

9. Staff Report (Discussion Only)

-64 applicants including those seeking reappointment for next year's Youth Commission -Petra DeJesus has lobbying day on her behalf tomorrow at 12:30pm.

10. Announcements (This Includes Community Events)

-Giants are winning

-Commissioner Mesler signed up for townhall role and can't do it so it would be great if someone could take on his facilitation role.

11. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:14pm.

Document B

FILE NO.

RESOLUTION NO. 1617-AL-11

| 1 | [Youth Commission Recommendations for the 2018-2023 Youth Empowerment Allocation] | | | | |
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| 2 | Resolution urging the Mayor, Board of Supervisors, and Department of Children, Youth, and | | | | |
| 3 | Their Families to Resource Youth Organizing and Leadership Amidst Increased Attacks on Our | | | | |
| 4 | Communities | | | | |
| 5 | WHEREAS, since Trump was elected into office there have been increased attacks on public | | | | |
| 6 | education, the environment, women, and on immigrant, Black, Muslim, and LGBTQ communities; and | | | | |
| 7 | WHEREAS, the majority of youth did not elect Trump but are particularly vulnerable to his presidency; | | | | |
| 8 | and | | | | |
| 9 | WHEREAS, Trump appointed Betsy DeVois as the head of education having no personal | | | | |
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| 11 | experience in navigating the public-school education system and has threatened federal cuts towards | | | | |
| 12 | public school education; and | | | | |
| 13 | WHEREAS, according to SFUSD's 2016 Quick Facts Report, 55,320 of 95,000 projected | | | | |
| 14 | school-aged youth are enrolled in public school; and | | | | |
| 15 | WHEREAS, SFUSD overwhelmingly serves Latino and Asian youth, who make up a combined | | | | |
| 16 | 62.8% of SFUSD students; and | | | | |
| 17 | WHEREAS, DACA and Muslim youth are particularly vulnerable to Trump; and | | | | |
| 18 | WHEREAS, Trump has repeatedly threatened to deport undocumented immigrants in first 100 | | | | |
| 19 | days, including undocumented youth and their families; and | | | | |
| 20 | WHEREAS, the Trump administration has unsuccessfully enacted a travel ban, limiting | | | | |
| 21 | travelers from predominantly Muslim nations; and | | | | |
| 22 | WHEREAS, environmental racism disproportionately affects youth from communities of color; | | | | |
| 23 | and | | | | |
| 24 | WHEREAS, the lowest voter turnout is amongst young people and in communities of color; and | | | | |
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| 1 | WHEREAS, in San Francisco the lowest voter turnout is in District 10, the district with the most | | | |
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| 2 | youth and children; and | | | |
| 3 | WHEREAS, there is a lack of youth voice on decision making bodies, and even in San | | | |
| 4 | Francisco, youth voice is often discounted in policy discussions; and | | | |
| 5 | WHEREAS, young San Franciscans need to have a say in shaping their future in a rapidly | | | |
| 6 | changing city; and | | | |
| 7 | WHEREAS, the high cost of housing and living plays a large role in displacing long time | | | |
| 8 | residents including youth and their families; and | | | |
| 9 | WHEREAS, young people have lead and continue to lead movements for justice in the bay | | | |
| 10 | area; and | | | |
| 11 | WHEREAS, in San Francisco young people have successfully advocated for Free Muni for | | | |
| 12 | youth and Free City College, proving their motivation and investment in the city; and | | | |
| 13 | WHEREAS, San Francisco city government supports the organizing efforts of youth through | | | |
| 14 | the Youth Empowerment Fund, and more specifically by putting on events like Youth Adovacy Day | | | |
| 15 | and by supporting organizations directly working on empowering youth; and | | | |
| 16 17 | WHEREAS, Youth organizing directly benefits youth in unrelated areas of their life, | | | |
| 17 | "Involvement in organizing increases young people's educational motivation and aspirationsEighty | | | |
| 19 | percent of students noted their grades improved and 60% reported that they took more challenging | | | |
| 20 | coursework due to their involvement in organizing. Eighty percent of youth reported plans to pursue a | | | |
| 21 | college education and close to half of the sample said they expected to obtain a graduate or | | | |
| 22 | professional degree beyond college"; now therefore be it | | | |
| 23 | RESOLVED, that the Youth Empowerment fund will be used "to create a system of coordinated | | | |
| 24 | pathways, which introduces young people to organizing, develops them holistically, and transitions | | | |
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| 1 | them to further opportunities within the social justice field" with a focus on policy based activism; and | | |
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| 2 | be it further | | |
| 3 | RESOLVED, that DCYF will support the organizations that they work with in convening | | |
| 4 | meetings, in order to help build greater opportunities for mutual learning, strategic collaboration and | | |
| 5 | community building; and be it further | | |
| 6 | RESOLVED that San Francisco city government will continue to support the civic engagement | | |
| 7 | of all young people; and be it finally | | |
| 8 | RESOLVED, that San Francisco youth will have access to expanding opportunities on | | |
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[Motion to Issue a Letter supporting San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency's (SFMTA) application for the Advanced Transportation and Congestion Management Technologies Deployment (ATCMTD) federal grant]

3 Supplemental Information:

The Youth Commission was asked to write a letter of support for the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency's (SFMTA) application for the Advanced Transportation and Congestion
Management Technologies Deployment (ATCMTD) federal grant.

6 This request is following a presentation/focus group that the Housing, Recreation and Transit
Committee had with MTA staff on the Customer Information System improvements and their
7 experience with it.

| 8 | We've included dra | ft language of th | ne letter to this motion. |
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May X, 2017 Youth Commission

U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Office of Operations 1200 New Jersey Ave, SE Mail Drop: E86-205 Washington, DC 20590 Attn: David Harris Subject: Letter of Support for the Advanced Transportation and Congestion Management Technologies Deployment (ATCMTD) Program Dear Mr. Harris:

The San Francisco Youth Commission excitedly supports the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency's (SFMTA) Next Generation Transit Customer Information System Project in its application for Advanced Transportation and Congestion Management Technologies Deployment (ATCMTD) funding.

San Francisco students greatly depend on public transportation to gain independence while traveling to school and work. When the SFMTA reached out to the San Francisco Youth Commission to gather feedback for the Next Generation Transit Customer Information System Project, we were excited to discuss the transportation needs of the youth community. As they transition to adulthood, many young members of our community work irregular hours and travel to extracurricular activities throughout the week. As a result, we support the project's objective to increase reliability of real-time prediction information in order to reduce waiting time and increase safety.

By helping address these issues, the SFMTA's Next Generation Customer Information System will undoubtedly improve the travel experience for San Francisco youth.

Insert info about your agency _____

We strongly urge the US Department of Transportation to provide Advanced Transportation and Congestion Management Technologies Deployment (ATCMTD) funding to the SFMTA for its Next Generation Transit Customer Information System.

Thank you for your consideration of the SFMTA's application. If you have any questions please feel free to contact [insert name]. Sincerely,

[insert name]