



**San Francisco Youth Commission
Civic Engagement Committee
Agenda ~ Special**

Tuesday, October 15, 2019

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: Valentina Alioto-Pier, Ariana Arana, Crystal Chan, Sarah Cheung, Sarah Ginsburg, Arianna Nassiri, Stephen “Rocky” Versace

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 - A. September 30, 2019**
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**San Francisco Youth Commission
Civic Engagement Committee
Minutes ~ Draft**

Monday, September 30, 2019

4:00~6:00 PM

City Hall, Room 270

1. Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Pl.

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There will be public comment on each item.

Members: Valentina Alioto-Pier, Ariana Arana, Crystal Chan, Sarah Cheung, Sarah Ginsburg, Arianna Nassiri, Stephen “Rocky” Versace

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 4:01pm. Commissioners present: Valentina Alioto-Pier, Arianna Arana, Sarah Cheung, Sarah Ginsburg, Arianna Nassiri, Stephen “Rocky” Versace. Commissioners absent: Crystal Chan. Commissioner Versace, seconded by Commissioner Ginsburg, motioned to excuse Commissioner Chan’s absence.

Staff present: Kiely. There was quorum.

2. Approval of Agenda (Action Item)

Commissioner Cheung, seconded by Commissioner Versace, moved to approve the agenda. There was no public comment. The motion was approved by acclamation. Commissioner Arana noted that her name is spelled Ariana and not Arianna.

3. Approval of Minutes (Action Item)

B. July 23, 2019

[\(Document A\)](#)

Commissioner Alioto-Pier, seconded by Commissioner Arana, 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



The Commissioner engaged in a team building activity. Commissioner Nassiri also engaged the group with this question:

What does civic engagement mean to you and why are you a part of the Civic Engagement Committee?

Commissioner Ginsburg-there is a misperception that adults are more opinionated or knowledgeable than youth and youth can be interested in issues, too, to make a difference. Thinks that being engaged civically is closely connected to Vote16 work.

Commissioner Alioto-Pier-getting people more engaged in government and having more of a voice and using it. CEC is a bigger way to use your voice when underage, feels a lot less scary to be involved, and can do it without trying hard.

Commissioner Arana-taking what you care about and doing something about it. Real change.

Commissioner Nassiri-knowing you have a voice, getting the right to vote and have a say, expand the electorate. Essential and trailblazing work that CEC has done and is doing. More folks can related to this particular topic with a lot of crossover to create a cornerstone.

Staff-focus on community being the instigators of their own change and the solvers of their own problems. A way to push for institutional change, especially for communities that have historically been left out of the right to vote.

Commissioner Versace-outlet of how to express opinion, learn how to effect change. Tired of being told that because he's young he doesn't know things until he's older. Wants to show people that youth do know what they're talking about and deserve to be heard.

Commissioner Cheung- bridging the gap between government and the people. Climate strikes and youth led strikes showing that youth are front runners and push for what they believe in and have own beliefs, deserve to be represented, especially since youth are already involved and doing work.

F. Review Group Agreements

Commissioners reviewed group agreements. The group agreed that accountability is important and can do peer to peer accountability in a way that doesn't always have to bring in chair, vice chair, or staff.

G. Review Vote16 Campaign

- a. History + Context
 - i. [Video 1](#)
 - ii. [Video 2](#)
- b. Timeline
- c. Setting Intentions & Harvesting Goals

Commissioner Nassiri led the group through the previous CEC and Vote16 work from 2016-present. A current draft timeline was shared and questions answered (how do you sway a supervisor? What happens in a stakeholder meeting? Does campaigning happen at schools?).



Intentions and goals were tabled for next meeting.

H. Committee Officer Elections

Chair

Commissioner Alioto-Pier nominated Commissioner Nassiri, seconded by Commissioner Versace. Commissioner Nassiri accepts the nomination. Commissioner Nassiri shared why she would be a good chair: she was the chair last year for CEC and now sees how important it is for youth to be involved in democracy and to expand the electorate. It's unconstitutional for youth to be denied this right, and will work to leave a legacy with the committee on Vote16 work.

Questions: none. A vote was taken by acclamation. All in favor.

Commissioner Nassiri is elected Chair of the Civic Engagement Committee with unanimous 6 of 6 votes.

Vice Chair

Commissioner Nassiri, seconded by Commissioner Cheung, nominated Commissioner Versace to serve as Committee Vice Chair. Commissioner Versace accepts the nomination.

Commissioner Versace shared why he would be a good vice chair: he loves the idea of Vote16 and wants to get it through to completion. He is experienced with campaigning and wants to assist Arianna with the chair role. He is outspoken and would be good to have a collective voice that he can share for the group.

Questions:

Commissioner campaigning have you done? Rocky has done campaigning for Mayor Breed's campaign and Theo Ellington's run for D10 supervisor last year.

A vote was taken by acclamation. All in favor.

Commissioner Versace is elected Vice Chair of the Civic Engagement Committee with unanimous 6 of 6 votes.

I. CEC related news

- a. [SFUSD blocking youth who wanted to participate in climate](#) strike

Keep in mind newsworthy things that pertain to civic engagement issues. It will be good for the group to be aware of as we move forward with the Vote16 campaign. Someone could also write a motion saying they support SFUSD youth who are striking as a way to show support and let the district know where the YC stands on this particular issue.

6. Staff Report

-Coleman Advocates District Attorney Forum has moved to October 25th. Who can make that date instead of the original October 8th date? Ariana, Valentina, Sarah G (?), Sarah C., Rocky, Arianna N (?)

-Youth Funding Youth Ideas grant is now available for up to \$10000. Is CEC interested? If so, we dedicated time on our October 15th agenda.

-Our CEC meeting on is on October 15th and not the 14th due to holiday




7. Executive Committee Report

Traditionally this role is held by the Vice Chair of the committee to report back to the full Youth Commission meeting. Please have 2-3 sentence summary of what was discussed and what your peers need to know.

8. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:59pm.



Want to make a change in your community?
Apply for a youth grant today!

YOUTH FUNDING YOUTH IDEAS

You can receive up to \$10,000!

Application due
October 31, 2019 by 8pm

Grant Requirements

Please write clearly in blue or black ink if your application is handwritten. If you need access to a computer you may schedule a time to use our computer lab. You can also submit your application by emailing it to yfyiinfo@chalk.org.

5 Easy Steps to Apply

1. Choose a topic or an issue that is important to you! Take a look at our new funding categories on page 8.
2. Create a core group of youth leaders that are 14-17 years old. They will be the main youth in charge of communicating with YFYI youth staff.
3. Find a supportive adult ally. This person needs to be 18 years old or older and should not take lead of the project but is there for guidance and support.
4. Find a fiscal sponsor which is a fancy term for a non-profit organization that will financially sponsor your project. If you can't find one, we can help!
5. Fill out the application and submit by October 31st, 2019 by 8pm!

Helpful Tips from the Youth Funders

- Be passionate about your project
- Make sure to double check your budget
- Make sure the application is legible if it is handwritten
- We don't look for a perfect application, but it needs to be written by youth!
- Remember you can reach out to us for support, we love answering questions.

Contact Information

Primary Youth Leader

Name	
Date of Birth	
Zip Code	
Ethnicity	
Language(s) Spoken	
Gender Pronouns	
Phone Number	
Email Address	
School	
Grade Level	

Secondary Youth Leader

Name	
Date of Birth	
Zip Code	
Ethnicity	
Language(s) Spoken	
Gender Pronouns	
Phone Number	
Email Address	
School	
Grade Level	

Contact Information

Third Youth Leader

Name	
Date of Birth	
Zip Code	
Ethnicity	
Language(s) Spoken	
Gender Pronouns	
Phone Number	
Email Address	
School	
Grade Level	

Fourth Youth Leader

Name	
Date of Birth	
Zip Code	
Ethnicity	
Language(s) Spoken	
Gender Pronouns	
Phone Number	
Email Address	
School	
Grade Level	

Adult Support

Adult Ally

Adult ally must be 18+

Name	
Organization Affiliation and Title	
Gender Pronouns	
Phone Number	
Email Address	
Relationship to Youth Leaders	

Fiscal Sponsor Information

Keep in mind that this has to be a 501C3 Non-Profit

Name of Non-Profit Organization	
Address	
Executive Director Name	
Phone Number	
Email Address	

Demographic Information

YFYI uses this form to gain an understanding of your community and who you will serve. If you are not sure please provide estimates. The information included below will not affect our funding decisions.

What ages will be participating in the project? Check all that apply.

- ☐ 10 - 13
- ☐ 14 – 17
- ☐ 18 – 24

What is the gender of the participants? Check all that apply.

- ☐ Female
- ☐ Male
- ☐ Non-conforming/Third Gender
- ☐ Transgender/Two Spirit
- ☐ Prefer to self-describe: _____

What is the ethnic breakdown of your community?

- ☐ Asian _____% population
- ☐ Black/African American _____% population
- ☐ Latinx _____% population
- ☐ Hispanic _____% population
- ☐ Native American _____% population
- ☐ Pacific Islander _____% population
- ☐ White _____% population
- ☐ Multiethnic/Multiracial _____% population

Demographic Information

Are you serving any of the communities listed below? Check all that apply.

- ☐ LGBTQ+
- ☐ Youth with disabilities
- ☐ Homeless/Transitional Housing
- ☐ ESL
- ☐ Undocumented
- ☐ Foster Care
- ☐ System-touched/On-probation

What is the average income of your community? Check one only.

- ☐ 0 - \$24,999
- ☐ \$25,000 - \$49,999
- ☐ \$50,000 – \$99,999
- ☐ \$100,000+

What neighborhood is your project targeting? Check all that apply.

- ☐ Richmond (District 1)
- ☐ Marina (District 2)
- ☐ North Beach/Chinatown (District 3)
- ☐ Sunset (District 4)
- ☐ Haight/Western Addition (District 5)
- ☐ SOMA/Embarcadero/Tenderloin (District 6)
- ☐ Park Merced (District 7)
- ☐ Noe Valley/Castro (District 8)
- ☐ Mission/Bernal Heights (District 9)
- ☐ Bayview Hunters Point/Vis Valley/Potrero Hill (District 10)
- ☐ Excelsior/Ocean View/Ingleside (District 11)

Project Details

What is your project's focus? Choose only one category.

Examples are included under each category.

- | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Economic Empowerment <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Entrepreneurship• Seed funding for social enterprise | <input type="checkbox"/> Policy, Advocacy, and Research <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Justice Campaigns• Organizing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Health & Wellness <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ancestral Medicine• Self-care• Food Justice | <input type="checkbox"/> EDLIB (Education for Liberation) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Alternative Education• Ethnic Studies• School-to-Prison Pipeline |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Earth Care <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Animal Rights• Environmental Justice• Aquaponics farming | <input type="checkbox"/> Youth Rights <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Undocu Rights• LGBTQ Rights• Homelessness Advocacy• Black Lives Matter• Know Youth Rights |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Activism and Culture <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Community beautification• Mural making• Forum theater• Music• Dance classes | <input type="checkbox"/> Media & Tech Diversity <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Computer Literacy• Coding Club• Documentary Making |

Please briefly describe why you think your project fits into this category:

Project Summary

The max amount you can request is \$10,000

Guiding Questions (your answer does not have to in this order):

1. Project Focus
 - a. What is the issue you are addressing or what solution are you creating?
2. Community Need
 - a. Why is your project important?
 - b. Providing data to support your proposal is highly encouraged (data can include personal experience, statistics, interviews, etc.)
3. Describe Your Project
 - a. What is the project about?
 - b. What will you be doing?
4. Think About Impact
 - a. What kind of change do you hope to create?
 - b. How will your project positively impact the community?

Project Name:

Total Amount Requested:

Project Summary:

Timeline

Project Duration

☐ 6 Months

☐ 9 Months

☐ 12 Months

Please describe and share with us the general timeline of your project. What will you be doing? Keep in mind that if you're funded, it may take up to 2 months after our decision to receive your project money.

Month

Project Activities (i.e. meetings, workshops, events, performances, etc.)

Budget

In this section you tell us how much money you need to make your project come to life. You can apply for a total of \$10,000 for this grant. Remember that the project travel and transportation expenses cannot exceed 20% of the overall budget. We also do not fund adult staff wages/salaries. Please provide a detailed breakdown of the project expenses.

List all items needed for your project			
Description	Quantity	Cost	Total
<i>Example: Gardening gloves</i>	5	\$3.00	\$15
TOTAL			

Almost Done!

How did you hear about our YFYI's grant?

- ☐ CHALK or YFYI Staff. Please include name of person _____
- ☐ Email
- ☐ Flyer
- ☐ Family/Friend
- ☐ Social Media
- ☐ School
- ☐ Community Organization _____
- ☐ Other: _____

Make sure you have checked off this list before submitting your application:

- ☐ Your project is located in San Francisco and serves San Franciscans
- ☐ It is youth-led
- ☐ There is at least one adult ally
- ☐ You have a non-profit organization to acting as a fiscal sponsor
- ☐ You have reviewed your application
- ☐ You made sure all contact info is correct and up-to-date

Ways to submit your application:

- 1) Drop the application to our office Monday – Friday before 6pm.
271 Austin Street
San Francisco, CA 94109
- 2) Email it to yfyiinfo@chalk.org. Make sure to call us at (415) 977-6949 to ensure we received it.
- 3) Fax it to (415) 755-2230. Make sure to call us at (415) 977-6949 to ensure we received it.
- 4) You can also submit a separate online application through Salesforce. If interested, you will need send an email to yfyiinfo@chalk.org for access.

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