



San Francisco Youth Commission

DRAFT – Minutes

Monday, March 18, 2019

5:00 pm~8:00 pm

City Hall, Room 416

1. Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Pl.

San Francisco, CA 94102

There will be public comment on each item.

Charley Obermeyer, Lily Marshall-Fricker, Maggie Dong, Josephine Cureton, Calvin Quick, Alysha Sadarangani, JoJo Ty, Natalie Ibarra, Bahlam Vigil, Arianna Nassiri, Nora Hylton, Drew Min, Grace Hoogerhyde, Alexander Hirji, Kaye Chin, and Savion Green

1. Call to Order and Roll Call for Attendance (Discussion and Possible Action)

The meeting was called to order at 5:06 PM.

Commissioners present: Charley Obermeyer, Maggie Dong, Josephine Cureton, Calvin Quick, Alysha Sadarangani, JoJo Ty, Natalie Ibarra, Bahlam Vigil, Nora Hylton, Drew Min, Grace Hoogerhyde, Alexander Hirji, and Savion Green

Commissioners absent: Lily Marshall-Fricker, Arianna Nassiri, Kaye Chin.

There is no public comment. Commissioner Quick motions to approve the YAD absences, seconded by Commissioner Obermeyer. The motion carries. Commissioners Cureton, Min, Hirji, and Green are excused as they are in a pre-approved Youth Advocacy Day training.

2. Approval of Agenda (Action Item)

There is no public comment. Commissioner Quick motions to approve the agenda, and Commissioner Hylton seconded this motion. The motion passes.

3. Approval of Minutes (Action Item)

A. March 4, 2019

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There is no public comment. Commissioner Dong motions to approve the minutes, Commissioner Ty seconds that motion. The motion passes.

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

Oscar, the program coordinator from Project WHAT! Announces their Youth Summit in Oakland's Impact Hub from 12-4PM. This event will have workshops, an open mic, and a special guest from Tre Maison. 3 Million youth in the US have an incarcerated parent.

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

None.

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

A. Youth MOJO: Our Healing and Our Hands



Presenter: Nevin Chin and Emily W., Core Leaders
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We work in solidarity in advancing our needs in expanding our needs in mental health in the district. We want to name you all as supporters in our upcoming campaign. Youth MOJO, CPA, working class, Asian American high school youth in SF. We were on health justice, workers' rights, and using education that youth have to create positive change in your community.

Campaign background: We have an atmosphere of fear and violence for trans/immigrants/ and women in schools. Youth have the highest rates of suicide. The available mental health resources in schools are not open to youth. I was scared to go to the wellness center, because there was stigma in my community as well. It gave me the skills to talk to my parents. Many students never got the push to go get help and sometimes it is too late. What is currently in our schools is not enough. We have had a lot of friends who have been sexually assaulted and there has been nothing done.

We conducted a research project to ask why youth of color are not using mental health services at youth. We conducted 971 youth. We have a longer survey report they will send via email.

As Mel (they/them), in terms of bullying and safety we found that lesbian and gay, 91% of students that we surveyed have never seen a school psychologist. They need culturally relevant training for decision makers.

They have six recommendations, youth-anchored counseling, strengthen preventative care services and outreach (mindfulness, practices, restorative justice), expand on current wellness funding, increase youth and staff voice at schools to make decisions around wellness budgets, programming and hiring, integrate culturally congruent mental health education in the classroom!

April 23rd for a BOE meeting where they will present a resolution to the board.

Commissioner Obermeyer: Can you elaborate on the peer-to-peer counseling?

We mean having counselors that reflect the student body.

Commissioner Quick: AB893 at the state level for training for LGBTQ sensitivity, support participatory budgeting, what does the BOE think about the expansion of the wellness funding?

The issue behind the funding is that it comes from multiple different funding streams.

Commissioner Hylton: what do you mean by culturally congruent education? Can you expand?

As I said earlier, we mean having counselors that reflect the student body.

Commissioner Quick motions to support their campaign, seconded by Commission Sadarangani. The motion passes unanimously.

B. College for All

Presenter: Celi Tamayo-Lee, SF Rising



I was the campaign manager for the Vote16 campaign. Have any of you heard of SF Rising? It is an alliance of 8 organizations: MUA, La colectiva, filipino community center, PODER, CAUSA JUSTA, and others. We are trying to build political power with working class people of color (poc). What does this pie chart represents? We are a majority of poc in SF and the second chart represents voter turnout in which poc are vastly underrepresented. You have to be a citizen to vote. The results of the elections do not actually represent what poc need and want. We want to run our own campaigns: like muni for youth and prop c.

Only group in the City that is actively reaches out to voters in 4 languages: Spanish, Tagalog, Manderin and Cantonese.

We also host summer phone banking for high school and college aged people of color.

We cut property taxes. → Passage of prop 12 which gutted property taxes by 57% (feel fuzzy because it includes business and not just homeowners) They want to propose closing the loophole for corporations.

Reagan wanted to stamp out student activism at places like UC Berkeley. Decrease civic participation. Ranking schools began in 1983. The SAT became more popular. A lot of wealthy white people did not to pay for poc. Trump has cut work study programs. A lot of government funding from education is now going to the military.

We want to make college free through an estate tax, it is an inheritance tax.

C4A = Inclusive, formerly incarcerated, undocumented students, 385000 working class
C4A = Progressive, increases the maximum cal grant - living grant aid
This would affect 2.5 mill. 145 campuses by taxing the rich

Who else is working with us?

Campus
Organization
Unions

What does it take to pass and win measure?

- Signatures
- Because the previous estate was removed by voters, we must reinstate the estate tax by putting it in on a statewide ballot
- Amendment change - can be introduced anytime not on the timeline
 - 2 options
 - Petition gathering (~700000)
 - Legislative ($\frac{2}{3}$ vote in senate, $\frac{2}{3}$ in assembly, government)
 - Goal 2020

Petition gathering

- **Tried in 2018**
- Costs more \$
- Usually trusted to company
- We have more control over the outcome of the bill
- 6-month timeline since filed and approved

Legislation



- More partners
- Basically free
- Less control over the outcome
- 1-2 year timeline can introduce anytime
- Jan 17 - 13 legislators in Sacramento
 - Ash Karla (sponsor san jose), assembly member Shirley weber (sd)
- Where are we now?
 - Inside outside game of the leg
 - In search of additional taxes (corp/gas)
 - Meet cfa (California faculty association) requests
 - Improved wages
 - Improved conditions
 - Host more forums, teach ins, local resolutions, projects that highlight impact of tuition and student debt
 - Turn it into hot topic b/c mental & emotional health is suffering
 - Shape 2020 ca primary election
 - No candidate can come without promise of this
 - Actions & bird dogging as candidates come to town
 - Will be talking at national conversation

Either

- Base building is essential
- Vast movements on campus
- Years and years of organizing

Next steps

- Info webinar Thursday 4/4 11 am - 12pm
- Regional bay area student organizing training march 22 - 24 Oakland ca
- 2019 - lead up to 2020 ca presidential primary (actions, birddogging, rallies, media)
- Regional southern ca org calls 4/13 Irving
- Student calls monthly

Public comment: Nevin Chen

- Support of campaign, goals, and initiatives pursuing from sf rising, and assert and affirm what they mean and feel in community. This vision and dream of securing college4all, hold very important & concrete steps to making the world we want to see

Discussion:

Commissioner Quick: fully support campaign

Commissioner Hirji: support mission, cfa and finding additional taxes than \$4 million, more ways and taxes

- Celi: looked at studies at Princeton (taxes rarely leave out of state)

Commissioner Cureton: fully support for equity, beyond endorsement what ways can we support?

- Celi: education committee?
- Commissioners no
- Celi: pledge card, contact info - and will drop them off to assembly member Chiu, Ting, Weiner 1000 - broad base support - leave bill number blank / attach post-it to it to get more info on webinar & summer internship with phone banking \$17 & leadership development & organizing training weekend and summer



Commissioner Hylton: education committee, but transformative justice - making calgrants invested for formerly incarcerated folks

- Celi: alternative to school to prison pipeline, people who sign up 50% for military is because of free college option

Commissioner Min: tax to families - how much would people be taxed?

- 3.5 mil tax free
- Next mil 12% -20%
- How many families affected 3,000
- I serve ocean campus council student council to work with you on bringing this knowledge

Commissioner Obermeyer: I'm benefiting from free city, so seeing this really grounds me. When it comes to pushing ballot measures that are radical or progressive and pushing boundaries?

What sorts of challenges do you see and you work around?

- Celi: what helps is it's not a corporate tax, rich individuals are not as strong. With reform of prop 13 - corporate money will come and will start it propaganda
- First time doing state wide measure, with local elections is face-to-face conversations, canvassing and door knocking that changes people's minds.
- In district races, all the buzz & media - we won in every precinct because ground game is that strong

Chairperson Vigil: personal support as college student.

Discussion is closed.

Commissioner Cureton motions to support the College for All Campaign, seconded by Commissioner Hoogerhyde. The motion passes unanimously.

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

None.

8. Committee Reports (Discussion Only)

A. Executive Committee

- i. LAO: Indigenous People's Day and the MOU between SFUSD and SFPD.
- ii. Communications Team: Continuing YC profiles and planning a social on 4/6 at the Botanical Gardens with a potential photoshoot.

B. Housing and Land Use Committee

- a. We are planning a hearing with Supervisor Mandelman and talking to target CBOs.

C. Transformative Justice Committee

- a. Youth police roundtable follow up.

D. Civic Engagement Committee

- a. Working on Budget and Policy Priorities.

9. Staff Report (Discussion Only)

- YC Open House May 2
- BPP process and will be rolling out March 25
- SFUSD Youth Summit 3/22 with Commissioners Nassiri, Min, and Chin.



- Youth Local Homeless Coordinating Board meeting from 3-5 Pm on 3/25 at St. Anthony's
- Trans Day of Visibility on 3/29 from 6-11 PM at SOMARTS.
- ProjectWHAT youth summit on 3/30. Chairperson Vigil and Commissioner Obermeyer interested.
- Budget Justice Coalition meeting is from 3-5 PM on 3/20 at Hospitality House. Important way to get to know what CBOs face in terms of getting funding from the City. Contact Staff for more information.
- Mayor's Office Hours in the Richmond, the Sunset, the Bayview, and the Excelsior. Check the community events calendar for more information.

10. Announcements (This Includes Community Events)

- There will be a Youth Commission Open House, which we will ask you all to help flier in your communities.
- There will also be a District 5 Community Meeting on Saturday, March 23rd. Contact Commission Quick for more information.
- The 2020 General Election is coming up. Contact Chair Vigil for more information.

11. Adjournment

The meeting is adjourned by 6:28 PM.

