



# San Francisco Youth Commission

## Minutes ~ Draft

Monday, September 19, 2016

5:15 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.*

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

### **1. Call to Order and Roll Call for Attendance**

Chair Matz called the meeting to order at 5:18pm. Commissioners present: Martin Krause, Lily Marshall-Fricker, Lisa Yu, Joshua Park, Mary Claire Amable, Emma David, Noah David, Hugo Vargas, William Juarez, Madeleine Matz, Jarrett Mao, Griffin Ng, Chiara Lind.

Commissioners absent: Cris Plunkett, Cecilia Nicole Galeano, Jonathan Mesler, Tsia Blacksher,

There were two requests for authorized excused absences: Commissioner Plunkett is sick, Commissioner Galeano had a work shift covered and that person flaked at the last minute. Commissioner Mao motioned, seconded by Commissioner Juarez, to authorize these as excused absences. The motion was approved by acclamation.

There was quorum.

Staff present: Adele Failes-Carpenter, Leah LaCroix, Kiely Hosmon

### **2. Approval of Agenda (Action Item)**

Commissioner Juarez, seconded by Commissioner Amable, moved to approve the agenda. The motion was approved by acclamation.

There was no public comment.

### **3. Approval of Minutes (Action Item)**

- A. September 8, 2016  
(Document A)

Commissioner Mao, seconded by Commissioner Lind, motions to approve the minutes. Motion passes by acclamation.



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

Angie Fah, former member of SF School Board, and now current instructor of Asian American Studies at CCSF. Please look at issue of Ethnic Studies (in particular in Asian American Studies) at CCSF. Wants Youth Commission to know that City College students deserve more diversity choices beyond only Political Science 1. Thanks to commission for all their good work. 415-310-3998, ccsfdiversity@gmail.com

Jason Tong, author of Maze Dreamers, wants suggestions on how to get this book out there. No commissioners interested in following up.

No more public comment.

#### 5. Presentations

- A. Overview of Department of Children Youth & Their Families' Programs, Services, and Budget  
Maria Su, Executive Director, Department of Children, Youth & Their Families

One of most important city departments in SF and fund many city services. Every 5 years they decide how to spend the money to best support children, youth, and their families.

Thanks the Youth Commission for their civic engagement. Brief overview of DCYF: brings together city departments, nonprofits, schools that serve youth, children, and their families. (Birth to age 24). In order to be successful young people need to be engaged in positive activities, live in safe and secure hoods and communities. Started by advocates for kids back in 90s. Need to have dedicated funding for children services. Nonprofits would have to go after grants but this wasn't a sustainable cycle as funding was lost and changed and struggled to continue/maintain children programs. So advocates went door knocking to people to put on the ballot 1991 the Children's Amendment. That is to say SF will commit money to direct children services. Money had to go towards programs that directly benefited young people. Dept was created to be the voice for youth and their families. In 2014 the youth fund was reauthorized: key changes were 1) reauthorized to serve more young people (and therefore asked for more money to serve them). Went from 3 cents to 4 cents tax on \$100 of assessed property tax. 2) extended the age range of those eligible to 24 (TAY). 3) created a 5 year planning cycle 4) established an oversight and advisory committee 5) extended this for another 25 years.

What they do: use their money in collaboration with other departments to fund things like: early care and education, out-of-school time, youth empowerment, youth workforce development, family support, health and wellness, violence prevention.

Impacts of funds in 14-15: provided 60 million dollars in direct service grants to over 450 programs. Helped support 50k children and youth, birth to age 24

Budget: gets to grow every single year for the next couple of years.



Planning process, CNA and SAP: Community Needs Assessment (CNA)-go out and talk to key stakeholders (parents, non profits, teachers, principals, etc to identify needs of youth and their families), take all this info, and think about how to address these needs. Then creation of Services Allocation Plan (SAP). This year is about how to increase access and quality. Currently in this SAP stage right now. After that, will release a Request for Proposal (RFP) so non profits or other agencies can apply for these funds via proposals.

If you want to know more [www.dcyf.org](http://www.dcyf.org), follow on twitter, like them on Facebook  
Twitter @SF\_DCYF  
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## B. Overview of the 2016 DCYF Community Needs Assessment

Laura Moye, Deputy Director, Department of Children, Youth & Their Families

Reports were given to Commissioners in hard copy. One was data report and one was outcomes framework.

OCOF Outcomes Framework:

- 1) Economic Security and Housing Stability
  - a. People living below ...
  - b. Housing needs are widespread
  - c. Homelessness persists
- 2) Safe and Nurturing Environments
  - a. Some children, youth, and families are disproportionately exposed to violence
- 3) Physical, Emotional, and Mental Health
  - a. Communities of color have greater health challenges
  - b. Mental health needs are diverse across the city
- 4) 21<sup>st</sup> Century Learning and Post Secondary Education and Career Paths
  - a. Racial/ethnic disparities in academic achievement persist
  - b. Academic Achievement is uneven
  - c. College enrollment and completion varies
  - d. Career paths are least clear for the city's most vulnerable youth

Equity Analysis is new for them to be doing. Requires them to identify neighborhoods and communities that are more disadvantaged and therefore target them for services and funds.

Low income neighborhoods are priority neighborhoods  
African American, Latino, and Pacific Islander youth are priorities.  
18-24 (TAY) are a new focus

Questions:

YC staff will send Commissioners a copy of the presentation

Question: is there a mental health focus on unaccompanied alien children (UACs)? Answer:

They do partner with non profits that focus on undocumented youth and they provide funding to these agencies to help them reach these youth and families.

Question: What SRO organizations did they work with? Answer: CCD-C- Chinatown Community Development Center, Bernal Dwellings, Mercy Housing, Tenderloin Community Development Center.



Question: Are you familiar with Head Space model? It's where the govt (in UK and Australia) is funding youth clinics that pop up and are walk in based. Specifically target specific groups.  
Answer: they do fund wellness centers in all public high schools but would love the idea of a specific community based health clinic for youth. Will look into Head Space model.

Question: Did you look into the numbers of youth who are below the poverty line who are using your services? Answer: It is challenging to know numbers but do look at neighborhoods where high concentration of poverty exists and see how many they might be serving. But still lacking in how to get more accurate numbers.

A Commissioner thanked them for their dedication to the youth as she is a product of many of the services they fund and provide.

Question: How closely do you work with board of education and training teachers in public schools? Answer: Work very closely with district and board of education. Don't do a lot of trainings but provide funding for non profits to provide additional support to them. Do initial work based training. Partner non profit agencies with schools.

Question: How can YC best help DCYF and come together? Answer: Need to hear from the youth on what's worked and what hasn't worked. Would love to hear feedback on how to improve. Prishni can be point person for direct feedback from YC'ers.

Will be releasing a survey to all SFUSD students so good opportunity to provide those results to YC'ers and youth could give feedback on survey results. YC would appreciate that and excited to work more with them.

No public comment.

Commissioner Juarez motioned, seconded by Commissioner Amable, for a general motion of support to DCYF and the CNA they conducted and the work they do in the community. Roll call vote: passes unanimously.

CNA will come back to YC after it goes to the Board for passage so be on the lookout for that as another future voting item.

## **6. Legislation Referred by the Board of Supervisors**

- A. BOS File No. 160892 [Administrative Code - San Francisco City College Enrollment Fee Assistance Fund]  
Sponsor: Supervisor Jane Kim  
Presenter: Alisa Messer, AFT 2121  
(Document B)

Alisa Messer, member of faculty union of CCSF, with James Tracy (Community Housing Partnership), working on campaign to make CCSF free for everyone in SF. This legislation is part of larger package to make CCSF free. Until 1984, all classes at any CC was free.

The legislation is part of a packet of legislation. Copies of an overview handed out in hard copy. Gives description and clarifies the different pieces. Enrollment assistance fund, the



BoS voted 10-1 a resolution that said provided there was funding that came through in November election, the Supes were interested in making City College free. Prop W is already on the ballot (the mansion tax), that would tax those who buy houses that cost more than 5 million, and this is already on ballot. Supervisors took on in budget and finance committee that was passed unanimously, says that a portion of money would be set aside for those who lives in SF and would get free tuition. This would include undocumented youth as long as they live in SF. Tuition waivers from Board of Governors, for students already receiving money, this legislation would say that as long as they apply to financial aid they would get up to 1000 extra to help with other school costs. Once legislation is passed, hopefully, and Prop W passes, then BOS will have to make good on its commitment of seed funding and start the program. Could start making it free as soon as August 2017.

Question: Where is the money coming from and is there another program that wouldn't be funded because of this? Answer: Money would come from change of the transfer tax. If someone sells a building that is more than 5 million, this legislation would raise the tax and that tax would provide the funds for this legislation. It is all new money to support this.

Question: For the people who were pushed out due to rental increases, is there any way to benefit those who were pushed to the east bay? Answer: At the moment, we wouldn't be able to figure out how to do this. Could try to expand to increase those who work in SF but live outside of it but this is a great angle for the YC to take up. Could figure out solutions to the problem and offer up amendments and they would be very excited to work with YC on this.

Financial assistance would come in the form of grants, not loans.

How is outreaching happening towards youth regarding this campaign? Have been talking to community groups and only have just started very recently. Would love YC suggestions of where to find youth.

[Amesser@aft2121.org](mailto:Amesser@aft2121.org)

No public comment.

Discussion: Chair Matz clarifies presentation for all. The funds are coming from this Mansion Tax (tax on building being sold over 5 million dollars), the YC from last year approved this mansion tax, so history of YC support for this. This current legislation would give a vessel for funds, would create a bank account for the money to be distributed. Budget and Finance committee made some amendments. Full board sees this tomorrow so will see YC comments and recommendations. BPPs have supported CCSF in various ways for a long time.

Three options: take a position of support, a position of no support, or no position. Can add amendments and comments.

Discussion on the \$1000 fund and whether it would be just a "handout". This ordinance does set the criteria for those who would get the fee.



Commissioner Juarez motioned, seconded by Commissioner Amable, that this legislation include or consider SFUSD public school graduates who have been displaced out of SF.

Commissioner Mao substitute motioned, seconded by Commissioner N. David, to include all SF high school graduates that reside in the boundaries of SF. A roll call vote was called and Commissioners Krause, Yu, Park, Amable, E. David, N. David, Vargas, Juarez, Matz, Mao, Ng, Lind voted aye and Commissioner Marshall-Fricker voted no.

Commissioner Juarez motioned, seconded by Commissioner Mao, to take a position of support for this legislation. A roll call vote was called and the motion was passed unanimously.

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

- A. Review of Youth Commissioner Activity Tracking Log  
Presenter: Leah LaCroix, Coordinator of Community Outreach and Civic Engagement

Part of YC work is engaging with community members, officials, agencies, etc. YC staff want to make sure we keep track of who we are meeting with plus the 15 hour a month commitment duties. This tracking method will help us to put info into the annual report and so we have very detailed info on what you all do.

It can include site visits to programs, hearings, BOS meetings, committee meetings you are not a part of, community event, youth advocacy day, etc. Staff will include this link in Weekly Internal.

- B. Review of Youth Commission 2016-17 All Meeting Calendar  
Presenter: Staff  
(Document C)

Youth Commission calendar for the rest of the year and reminder of importance of attendance and quorum.

## **8. Committee Reports (Discussion Only)**

- A. Executive Committee

Commissioner Juarez and Commissioner Matz reviewed the agenda for today's meeting. Rest of committees have yet to meet so no more reports until next full meeting.

- B. Housing, Recreation & Transit Committee
- C. Immigration, Justice & Employment Committee
- D. Youth Civic Engagement Committee
- E. Our Children Our Family Council



## 9. Staff Report (Discussion Only)

- Staff thanks YC'ers for coming to the meeting being prepared and having questions. Presenters were impressed, you were great representing yourselves and the YC body. This is what is possible when everyone is prepared.
- October 12<sup>th</sup> Youth Making Change Board of Education is hosting a candidate forum that will be sent out in Weekly Internal. Informational, not campaign event.
- This Thursday Mayor Lee is having an event of results and successes of Youth Jobs + program. At Cal Academy of Sciences at 4:30pm, free admission.
- Also on Thursday is working group for New Generations meeting. Went out in Weekly Internal
- Project What! On October 21<sup>st</sup> have an event to celebrate their work. Also went out in Weekly Internal
- Youth Empowerment Fund is accepting applications for youth led projects to provide funds. Would need to find a fiscal sponsor and YC staff can help for spring funding. Went out in Weekly Internal
- Commissioner Mao's birthday is today! Happy Birthday, Commissioner Mao!
- State Bill 1157, YC got board to sponsor and support this legislation, requires county jails to maintain in person visiting. SE Justice group and Project What want to know if Commissioners want to go to Sacramento tomorrow to lobby Governor Brown. Or, can send Gov Brown a video. #weneedrealvisitsvideos
- YC doesn't have a food budget. Not seen as appropriate to be using public money to pay for food. Staff knows this is hard since you come directly from school. Staff can help get you access to kitchen/microwave/fridges
- Vision Zero coalition meeting happening next Tuesday at 9:30am at main branch of library. YC is partner/member of that coalition. All YC'ers in school. Commissioner Lind may be able to do this.
- YC along with community partners is planning a Young Voters Forum. Did this in 2014 and are doing this again to provide education and discussion on the numerous things on the ballot this upcoming November. Madeleine Matz is interested in helping to give input

## 10. Announcements (This Includes Community Events)

- Commissioner Vargas, along with PODER, hosting a movie night. October 1<sup>st</sup>. Food and drinks will be provided. The Book of Life will be shown.
- Commissioner Amable shares that SOMCAN is putting on a benefit concert this Saturday from 8pm to midnight, YOHANA putting on Pilipino History Month open mic night. Happening every other month, October 28<sup>th</sup>, 6-9pm.
- Commissioner Park, district 4 Youth Council rep, looking to host District 4 Youth Forum.

## 11. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 7:34pm