



San Francisco Youth Commission

Draft ~ Minutes

Monday, October 3, 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, Jonathan Mesler, Tsia Blacksher, Griffin Ng, Chiara Lind

1. Call to Order and Roll Call for Attendance

Chair Matz called the meeting to order at 5:25pm. Commissioners present: Martin Krause, Lily Marshall-Fricker, Lisa Yu, Joshua Park, Mary Claire Amable, Emma David, Hugo Vargas, William Juarez, Madeleine Matz, Jarrett Mao, Griffin Ng, Chiara Lind, Mesler, Blacksher.

Commissioners absent: Noah David.

There was one request for an authorized excused absence: Commissioner David absent due to Rosh Hashanah. Commissioner Juarez motioned, seconded by Commissioner Yu, to authorize this as an excused absence. 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 Plunkett, seconded by Commissioner Vargas, moved to approve the agenda. The motion was approved by acclamation.

There was no public comment.

3. Approval of Minutes (Action Item)

- A. September 19, 2016
([Document A](#))



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

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

Thomas Simpson, from the Afro Solo Theatre, spoke about the research and solutions he has to the issue of black men being killed by the police. Would like to present his findings to the IJE Committee. Staff will follow up with him to coordinate a presentation to this committee.

Jason Losoya and Michelle Antone, from the Native American Health Center, spoke about the resources that are available to youth and the community.

Vanessa, with two others, from a Masters program wanting to watch and observe a Youth Commission meeting and then hopefully get some of their insights on issues affecting youth in SF.

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

- A. Presentation on Our Children, Our Families Council
Presenter: Laurie Scolari, Director, OCOF Council, SFUSD
(Document B)

- Created when the voters of San Francisco passed Proposition C, the Children and Families First Initiative, in Nov 2014
- Council works to align efforts across the City and County, School District, and the community
- Goal is to improve outcomes for children, youth and families in San Francisco, with an emphasis on those with the greatest needs

Leadership: Co-chaired by Mayor Ed Lee and Superintendent Richard Carranza and includes:

- 13 department heads from the City & County of San Francisco;
- 13 leaders from the San Francisco Unified School District (SFUSD);
- 14 community representatives appointed by the Mayor, including students, parents, and transitional aged youth.

Working Groups: over 100 leaders including individuals with a lived experience actively participate in various working groups to move the initiative forward.

- 1) **Outcomes Framework:** To establish collective priorities; align efforts; and use common measures of success to track our progress.
 - 2) **5-Year Plan:** To identify strategies that align and coordinate the services to children and families provided by City departments, SFUSD, and community partners to achieve the goals outlined in the Framework.
 - 3) **Data sharing:** To establish systematic data-sharing between the City and the District.
 - 4) **Services inventory:** To create an online “one stop shop” for all citywide services.
- Charter-mandated: Create a citywide inventory of publicly funded services (including state and federal) for children, youth, and their families



- Online “one stop shop” of services for all children, youth, and families for services from ages 0 (prenatal care) to age 24
- Service data stored in a central warehouse
- All domains in the OCOF framework will eventually be in the services inventory

One Youth Commissioner will serve as a Council member and their role will be:

Data Analysis & Outcomes	<p>Provide guidance to OCOF to support data-informed decision-making, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proposing targets for the 19 measures in the Outcomes Framework • Informing the development of a bi-annual family survey • Providing input on a systematic approach to data-sharing
Training & Building Capacity	<p>Provide guidance to OCOF to support training staff and capacity building, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Analysis of existing trainings in each of the goal areas and identifying gaps and redundancies • Proposing what practices and related trainings should be expected of individuals working with children, youth and families • Identifying mechanisms to merge citywide training opportunities and encourage systems’ adoption of common definitions
Coordinated Services and Targeted Budgets	<p>Provide guidance to OCOF in the following areas related to service delivery and target budget decision-making:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Analysis of existing services in each of the Goal areas and identifying gaps and redundancies • Proposing recommendations on common definitions for services identified in Goal areas • Based on service analysis, make recommendations on City and District resource allocation decisions

B. Presentation on Transitional Age Youth SF History and Accomplishments

Presenter: Mia Satya, Director, TAY SF
(Document C)

- Transitional Age Youth can also be referred to as “disconnected youth” or “at risk youth”
- Nationally TAY are now being referred to as “opportunity youth”

16-24 year olds who are:

- * Foster Care
- * Homeless + Runaway
(*couch surfers, marginally housed)
- * Parents
- * Disabled + Special Needs
(Mental health, substance/drug abuse, behavioral health, and physical, cognitive, developmental disabilities)
- * Juvenile + Criminal Justice



- * Did not complete or off track to graduate H.S.
- * Undocumented

80,000 youth ages 16 through 24 live in San Francisco.
As many as 10% (8,000 young adults) will NOT make a successful transition.

- TAYSF's approach to youth and young adult engagement is driven by the mantra of "no choice about us, without us."
- TAY seeks to bring those who are typically invisible in the system to the decision-making tables in order to advocate for policy changes.
- Young adults inform and guide TAY SF, help build a TAY movement for citywide system change, gauge and inform current and future programs, and create and support community education and awareness.

Citywide TAY Advisory Board (CTAB)

- CTAB is composed of 12-15 young adults ages 16-24 who represent the disconnected TAY population, from personal and professional experiences.
 - CTAB informs the work of TAYSF, and sets policy recommendations for City departments, and strategized with community based organizations to improve services.
 - CTAB advocates for TAY at hearings and meetings where decisions will affect TAY.
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- Advocated for the inclusion of disconnected youth in existing public strategies and funding sources.;
 - Developed a refined understanding of the needs of TAY in San Francisco through quantitative data collection and action-research to gather feedback from TAY themselves;
 - Developed a clearinghouse of research and best practices to ensure sound policy and practices for transitional aged youth;
 - Nurtured over 50 young adult advocates and leaders through regular convening, training and mentoring;
 - Provided tools, training and technical assistance for nonprofits and government partners to better serve transitional aged youth;
 - Convened cross sector and interdepartmental partners focused on outcomes and services solely for TAY.
 - Supported Solutions not Suspensions campaign which was authorized by the Board of Education
 - Advocated for inclusion of TAY in the Children's Fund
 - Conducted and Presented research on health disparities impacting TAY women of color at 11th annual AHWG provider gathering.
 - Completed first SF4TAY mural and established advertisements on Facebook and MUNI buses.
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- Our CTAB sits on policymaking bodies:
 - Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council
 - Adolescent Health Working Group
 - Mayor's Taskforce on Human Trafficking
 - Departments get feedback from the CTAB
 - MOHCD, HSA,DPH, SFPD, SFUSD,SFDOE, and more



- TAYSF.org
- -resource website for policymakers
- -newsletter for service providers and community members
- SF4TAY.org
- -resource database for TAY employment, education housing, healthcare,

How can YC support through this transition? Don't lose sight of the end goal-need to eradicate youth homelessness and joblessness. Still need to meet the objectives. TAY voices still need to be heard at the city level. YC could possibly affirm their relationship with TAY SF via a resolution of support.

Commissioners interested in following up with TAY SF work: Commissioners Amable, Blacksher, E. David, Vargas, Matz, Galeano, Krause, and Juarez.

6. Legislation Referred by the Board of Supervisors (Action Item)

There was none.

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

- A. Election of 2016-17 Youth Commission Representative to Our Children, Our Families Council

Commissioner Juarez, seconded by Commissioner Vargas, nominated Commissioner Galeano.

Commissioner Mao, seconded by Commissioner Amable, nominated Commissioner Krause.

Both accept nominations. Nominees made short statements on why they felt like they would be a good fit to the role. Commissioners ask questions to nominees.

No public comment.

Commissioner Lind- Galeano
Commissioner Ng- Krause
Commissioner Blacksher- Krause
Commissioner Mesler- Krause
Commissioner Mao-Krause
Commissioner Matz- Galeano
Commissioner Juarez- Galeano
Commissioner Galeano - Galeano
Commissioner Vargas - Galeano
Commissioner E. David - Krause
Commissioner Amable- Galeano
Commissioner Plunkett- Galeano
Commissioner Park- Galeano
Commissioner Yu- Galeano
Commissioner Marshall-Fricker- Galeano
Commissioner Krause- Krause



Commissioner Galeano is elected OCOF Representative with 10 in favor of Galeano and 6 in favor of Krause.

B. Discussion on Committee Attendance Policy
Sponsor: Commissioner Mao

Commissioner Mao opens up a discussion on the topic of committee attendance. Wants to have full attendance for committees so that there aren't committee meetings with last minute cancellations that would then affect quorum.

Making rules to follow would be helpful, especially for committees, as bylaws only break down attendance for full YC meetings.

Proposal-let staff and chair know ahead of time if you can't make it. Emphasize communication (message staff or chair) at least a week in advance. Communication is key, a week before would be ideal unless it is last minute emergency.

Personal responsibility vs written down rule? Personal responsibility has no teeth (there is no punishment), should be same as full YC (3), or maybe more is allowed to miss to possibly 5, as a commissioner you know you serve the youth of the city but without anything in writing it doesn't hold much emphasis. What do you want to get out of the commission? How to address tardiness in committee meetings? Tardiness is addressed in full YC bylaws.

Can draft an amendment for the following meeting but this meeting can just gather information. Who is interested in drafting an amendment to the by laws? Commissioners CP, JM, CL. Commissioner Matz offering support to these three.

8. Committee Reports (Discussion Only)

A. Executive Committee

Commissioner Juarez-first meeting held last week. Concluded that they will be reaching out to new commissioners and doing 1-on-1s for casual checks ins. Any questions or concerns please let EC know. Be on lookout for communication for 1-on-1s.

B. Housing, Recreation & Transit Committee

Commissioner E. David-voted in Commissioner Mao as Chair and Commissioner E. David as vice chair. Brainstormed issues in areas that fall under their committee as well as what each commissioner wanted to learn more about and what each commissioner will bring to the table. Debriefed August meeting with Jeff Kositsky and the Mayor has taken interest in Commissioner Plunkett's Year of Homeless Youth Resolution.

C. Immigration, Justice & Employment Committee

Commissioner Amable-elected Commissioner Amable as Chair and Commissioner Galeano as vice chair. Former YC staff Allan Liu brought in youth for public comment. Did brief summary of



what committee has done in the past. Commissioner Galeano met with Project What this past Friday and discussed how YC can help them with their goals.

D. Civic Engagement Committee

Commissioner Park- Commissioner David as vice chair and Commissioner Park as chair. Learned about voting rights history and digging into priorities for the year. Will identify top areas of focus at the meeting this week.

E. Our Children Our Family Council – no meetings yet.

9. Staff Report (Discussion Only)

- thanks for flexibility on changing rooms this has never happened before. Normal meeting room is 416
- Hospitality House in District 6 working with homeless population would like a presentation on your BPPs to their staff. Could be a Wednesday from 3-4pm, Oct 12 or 26th. Commissioners interested: Plunkett, possibly Amable, Mao.
- 1-on-1s with staff follow up with us
- Youth Empowerment Fund is accepting applications for money in spring. Great way to move forward one of your priorities.
- Save the date-young and future voters forum on Oct 20th. Space to be determined. Going over local props that will impact youth. Want great turn out so please come out. Come to Civic Engagement meeting to discuss more
- Project What is hosting 10 year anniversary . Flyers going around
- Schedule first meetings with appointing officials. Grab a handful of your cards and bring them to your office and then schedule a meeting with your supervisor. Mayoral staff meeting possibly October 20th at 4:30pm. Establish communication with your office and know what is coming out of their office.
- Thanks for dealing with chaos in the YC office. Couches up there, new intern work space, coming together slowly but surely. If you like unpacking and tidying up please come and help us
- Please be thoughtful and mindful of new furniture and keeping them clean and tidy.
- Walk SF-smart streets advocacy training on Thursday 6-8pm, more info in Weekly Internal
- Dept of homeless and supporting housing is doing focus groups please see Weekly internal for more info
- Bios for website
- District 4 Youth Council accepting applications share with your community! Forum this Friday at Ortega library follow up with Commissioner Park.
- Business cards are here and are in your mailboxes
- Nameplates are here, obvs
- Will have to get ID badges see weekly internal for more info
- Fill in your activity log!

10. Announcements (Discussion Only - This Includes Community Events)



Commissioner Amable-October is Filipino American History Month. Group of orgs putting on Pilipino Cultural Night with performances, open mics, Halloween costume theme, Pilipino cultural theme as well. Costume contest on October 28th from 6-9:30 at Kearny Street Workshop

Commissioner Vargas, Poder-Bici del Pueblo. Got first trophy ever and can join them on bike trips, or build up your own bike. Co-op in Excelsior District and starting up in late October. 125 Excelsior at SF Community School.

Commissioner Park-Hosting Youth Forum at Ortega Library from 4:45-5:45.

Students at College of the Arts-trying to tackle problems regarding people's behaviors. Want to figure out how to use their design skills to tackle issues in the communities. Would like to hear some of their thoughts before they leave.

11. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 6:50pm