



**San Francisco Youth Commission
Civic Engagement and Education Committee
Minutes – Draft
Tuesday, May 2, 2023
5:30 PM**

IN-PERSON MEETING with REMOTE ACCESS

Members: Maureen Loftus (Chair), Steven Hum (Vice Chair), Vanessa Pimentel, Ewan Barker Plummer, Astrid Utting

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Tardy: Maureen Loftus

Absent:

The San Francisco Youth Commission met in-person in regular session and provided public comment through teleconferencing, on Tuesday, May 2, 2023, with Vice Chair Steven Hum presiding.

Vice Chair Hum calls the meeting to order at 5:45 PM.

1. Call to Order and Roll Call for Attendance

On the call of the roll:

Member	Present / Absent
Commissioner Barker Plummer	present
Commissioner Pimentel	present
Commissioner Utting	present
Vice Chair Hum	present
Chair Loftus	absent

***4 present, 1 absent
Quorum is met.***



2. Communications

Joy Zhan, staff, provides communications.

3. Approval of Agenda (Action Item)

Moved by Commissioner Barker Plummer to approve the agenda with the amendment to strike item 4A, seconded by Commissioner Utting.

No discussion

No public comment.

On the motion to approve today's agenda with a voice vote:

Member	Aye / Nay / Abstain / Absent
Commissioner Barker Plummer	aye
Commissioner Pimentel	aye
Commissioner Utting	aye
Vice Chair Hum	aye
Chair Loftus	absent

4 ayes, 1 absent.

The motion passes.

4. Approval of Minutes (Action Item)

a. ~~April 4, 2023~~

b. April 27, 2023

Moved by Commissioner Utting, seconded by Commissioner Pimentel to approve the April 27, 2023 Committee meeting minutes.

No discussion.

No public comment.



On the motion to approve the minutes for the April 27, 2023 Committee meeting minutes with a voice vote:

Member	Aye / Nay / Abstain / Absent
Commissioner Barker Plummer	aye
Commissioner Pimentel	aye
Commissioner Utting	aye
Vice Chair Hum	aye
Chair Loftus	absent

4 ayes, 1 absent.
The motion passes.

5. Public Comment on matters not on Today's Agenda (2 minutes per comment)

N/A

6. Committee Business (Discussion and Possible Action Item)

Chair Loftus arrived at 5:56 PM.

A) K2C Program (Presenter: Mohan Kanungo, Program Manager for the K2C Program)

Mohan Kanungo presents and talks about the K2C program and presents the website.

Vice Chair Hum passed the gavel to Chair Loftus.

Commissioner Barker Plummer asks about how someone can look for their K2C account number and asks about the accessibility of the website.

The great news is that the website is open! Their call to action is to get as many seniors to claim their balance.

Chair Loftus asks whether they're reaching out to the school newsletters. Mohan talks about their own outreach strategies and channels. Teresa and Cecilia are going to the schools themselves and to the seniors.

Commissioner Barker Plummer comments that this is a very efficient program that the city has and asks how the Youth Commission can support it. Mohan responds and emphasizes outreach and in-person interactions.

Chair Loftus asks about this site not loading for the "Claim My Money" button. She will also do a presentation in her class.



Commissioner Barker Plummer asks about the press strategy. Mohan responds. Commissioner Utting says that the Youth Commission Instagram can do a reel. Commissioner Barker Plummer asks about how the program will consider a success and how to use the information for the next cohort. Mohan says that success is measured by how many students going to college are using the money.

Commissioner Utting comments on how exciting this program is. Mohan will send the event information over.

B) Joint Hearing Debrief

Prop G Hearing

Commissioner Barker Plummer is concerned that SFUSD and DCYF aren't on top of the efforts, but there are more efforts coming out of DCYF. He also expresses concern about there not being enough outreach to the schools. Commissioner Utting hopes that all the schools are given all the support they need to go through the application process. She is concerned about the community school coordinator position, but hopefully, the schools are given the resources to have the position effective.

Chair Loftus mentioned how public commenters said that some schools already have this role.

Vice Chair Hum brought up that the Superintendent says that the spending guidelines are a little loose and expressed concern that there aren't enough guidelines. It's understandable that the role of the community school coordinator is concerning when there's already a lack of staffing.

Commissioner Utting wonders how many coordinators will be available.

Vice Chair Hum thinks that there should be multiple coordinators for one school.

Commissioner Pimentel agrees that there is a shortage of people working in SFUSD and it'll be difficult to find people for the community school coordinator. They wonder how many people are on the list for this position. They propose that there should be one coordinator for multiple schools especially smaller schools with similar demographics. Commissioner Pimentel hopes that they're talking to students about what they want to see the Prop G money spent.

Chair Loftus mentioned that public commenters do agree that there should be one coordinator for smaller schools. It'd not be a good use of resources if they have to hire someone new.

Commissioner Barker Plummer wonders what are the limitations of the legislation to allow multiple schools under one community school coordinator.

Commissioner Utting mentions that finding experienced people are difficult and the administration in the schools is already spread so thin.



Chair Loftus mentioned that there are always new positions being open and there are still a lot of questions.

Commissioner Utting says that it sounded like they'll get there when they get here and that's concerning.

Commissioner Pimentel suggests that the school district can merge the family liaison role with the community school coordinator role since both job descriptions sound similar, but they're not sure what the legislation allows. Also, not every school has a family liaison.

Commissioner Barker Plummer asks about the central governance body because there were still a lot of questions when Vice Chair Hum asked it during the hearing.

Vice Chair Hum brings up that the departments intend to ask the school site councils to take on the youth seats in the oversight body.

School Violence Hearing

Commissioner Barker Plummer prefaces that the press wants a position from the youth commission. Commissioner Barker Plummer wants to know more about the social media task force.

Commissioner Utting explains a little about what can happen and talks about her own experience at Lowell. She emphasizes community and self-reporting, and not penalizing students for reporting.

Commissioner Pimentel says that monitoring social media sounds really insane and was shocked that they want to do that. There was confusion between SFUSD and the community groups. Commissioner Pimentel emphasizes on getting student feedback on whether the programs in place actually work or not. Vice Chair Hum voices the concern about monitoring students' social media, and it's important that the District and DCYF find other solutions.

Chair Loftus emphasizes the priority of finding out the root cause of why students are acting out and how their development was stunted. While monitoring and closing down schools are an effort, what is something else the departments can do?

Commissioner Barker Plummer

SFUSD didn't mention the police involvement, but he wants to know what is the relationship between the two. It's concerning whether's an increase in gun violence and violence in schools. What are the conversations between the District and SFPD on coordination because the violence has been spilling into the communities?

Commissioner Utting emphasizes that we don't want police officers in schools. So how can it be communicated between the two departments?



Commissioner Barker Plummer brings up that intervention has been happening before, so what are the efforts now?

Chair Loftus brings up that youth are dealing with the consequences of the pandemic lockdown not just in San Francisco, but around the world.

Commissioner Barker Plummer says that there hasn't been any acknowledgment citywide that this is a root cause of youth violence.

Chair Loftus recounts her own younger brother's experience in his middle school.

Commissioner Utting says that the consequences of disruptive action aren't clerk. There needs to be a citywide response to this because it's an issue that stemmed from the pandemic.

Chair Loftus wonders if there's an academic aspect because there's a lot of hopelessness.

Commissioner Barker Plummer is concerned about SFUSD's gun-safe storage plan because that wasn't clearly stated. There needs to be more proactiveness in preventing young people from accessing a gun and more prevention.

Chair Loftus says that Dr. Maria Su mentioned that there was a recent grant so data hasn't been gathered yet.

Commissioner Utting thinks it's concerning that there isn't data tracked yet.

Commissioner Barker Plummer says that there's better data from SFPD, but not-so-great data from SFUSD.

Commissioner says that thus, there needs to be more coordination.

C) Upcoming Resolutions

Commissioner Barker Plummer is working on a Vote16 resolution with Commissioner Pimentel. Chair Loftus asks to work on the SCA2 letter of support with Commissioners Barker Plummer and Utting. Commissioner Utting is still collecting data for the Youth Commission compensation survey for her resolution, and she's working with Ms.Zhan to get more outreach to other Youth Commissions.

D) CEEC related news

The Communications and Outreach Officers will be promoting the K2C program on social media and the Committee members will be promoting the program to their own circles.

No public comment.

7. Staff Report (Discussion Item)



Ms.Zhan announces that the Department of Elections will attend the next CEEC meeting.

No public comment.

8. Adjournment

There is no further business. The meeting is adjourned at 6:55 PM.