AURORA YOUTH COMMISSION
January 2, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.
AMC, Aurora Room, 1st FLOOR, 80012

MINUTES

I. Meeting called to order at 6:40 p.m.

II. Commissioners present: Josue Estrada, Spencer Scheef, Dhruv Shrivastava, Madison Dragon, Angela Guardado, Jamie Nichols, Caleb Garvis, Joe Lewis, Josephine Stockton, Beck Varcoe, Kevin Duncan, Kris Kerr, Caleb Weiss, Joseph Soto and Hostin Perez.

Commissioners absent: (Excused) Vinay Malik, Zeru Christian, Mitali Desai, Natalie Perez, Kristina Lance, and Manar Jeelani.

Guests: AYC youth applicant Advik Shrivastava and Naomi Amaha Gollnick with the American Heart Association.

City liaisons: Jenna Katsaros, Erin Ahlholm, and Trevor Anderson with Youth Development.

III. Caleb Weiss moved to adopt the agenda, 2nd by Madison. The motion passed unanimously.

IV. Dhruv moved to approve December’s minutes, 2nd by Jamie. The motion passed unanimously.

V. REPORTS

a) Chair Guardado noted the Officers did not meet in December.

b) Treasurer Nichols reported there is $1,250 remaining in the 2020 budget.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

a) Naomi Amaha Gollnick, Community Advocacy Director with the American Heart Association, works with local community leaders on policy issues. She presented information on marketing tactics used by big corporations to expand sales of high-sugar beverages and she talked about the negative health impacts of consuming sugary beverages, particularly for young people. AHA and others are looking at how restaurants in Aurora advertise their meal bundle menus to youth and families, and trying to get businesses to advertise non-sugary beverages, e.g. milk and water, in their youth-oriented meal packages. They are looking at a possible city policy to regulate this advertising practice in restaurants. Naomi will keep AYC informed about this effort.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

a) AYC Sub-Committee updates:

   a. Josue shared the process to-date of the AYC By-Laws revisions. AYC members reviewed the proposed changes to the by-laws through a second reading. Josue moved to adopt the proposed changes to the By-Laws, 2nd by Caleb Weiss. A roll call vote was taken. The motion passed unanimously, and the AYC By-Laws are officially adopted.

   b. Communications sub-committee is creating a list of questions to interview youth in Aurora to produce a video for City Council. More details will be sent after the meeting.
c. Jenna reviewed the Speakers list for upcoming meetings. February will include a safety and security discussion.

d. Cherry Creek Diversity conference is Saturday February 1st from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. AYC attendees include Kristina, Jenna, Manar, Kris, Caleb G, Natalie, Angela, Josephine, Mitali and Jamie. Attendees will meet day-of at 8 a.m. at Cherry Creek High School.

Chair Guardado moved without objection for a 10-minute recess at 7:41 p.m. The meeting was called back in order at 7:51 p.m.

b) AYC members discussed their insights and key take-away points from the selected book, How to Win Friends and Influence People in the Digital Age. Members agreed to read through to page 123 by the February 6th meeting.

VIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS/ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR:

a) Jenna informed the commission about The Image Summit hosted by the City of Brighton taking place March 19th and 20th. It is $25 per person.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

a) Angela moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:36 p.m., 2nd by Caleb Garvis. The motion passed unanimously.

Next AYC meeting is February 6, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. in the Aurora Room, 1st floor of AMC.

Approved AYC Minutes:

[Signature]

Date: 2/6/20

Name: Angela Guardado

Chair

Title