

CITY OF GALT

GALT CITY COUNCIL YOUTH COMMISSION

Special Meeting Minutes, August 29th, 2016

Meeting held in City Council Chambers

A. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER:** Juliet Rodriguez, Youth Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

B. ROLL CALL:

Adult Mentors Present: Flores, Gordon, L.Klotz, Payne, Velasco

Members Absent: None

Youth Members Present: Cuevas, Gamez, Hassey, O. Klotz, Miller, Muller, Munoz, Rodriguez, Sessions, Yebra

Members Absent: None

C. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

D. PRESENTATIONS:

Elizabeth Kaufman, Superintendent of the Galt Joint High School District presented the Galt Youth Commission with information in regards of an event the city will be sponsoring: "What it Takes to be College Ready". This event will be hosted by the President of California State University Sacramento and the President of San Joaquin Delta College. The event was set to take place on September 8th from 6pm-8pm at the Littleton Center. She then went on to ask if three to four commissioners would be willing to volunteer to greet and usher people at the event.

E. REGULAR BUSINESS:

1. Galt Community Higher Education Forum Participation

Action was taken by the Commission in regards of the request made by Superintendent Kaufman. The following commissioners agreed to participate in the September 8th event and assist with greeting guests: H. Hassey, K. Miller, O. Klotz, M. Muller, J. Cuevas, and P. Sessions

Moved: K. Miller Second: M. Munoz Ayes: 10 Nays: 0 Abstain: 0

2. Icebreaker

Youth Chair Juliet Rodriguez showed the commission a video on delegating and spoke on how to do it and the importance of it. She explained that delegating is when you use other people's strengths and entrust them with a responsibility; it is important because it helps everyone feel needed. Rodriguez then asked the commission to write one quality you use, one someone else uses to delegate, and a list of important skills to you.

3. GYC Agreements

Vice Chair Olivia Klotz facilitated a discussion in order to determine working agreements among youth commissioners this year. The following are the agreements the commission agreed upon: respect each other- communicate with honesty- ask for opinions – encourage other's input – be responsible – check emails periodically – be positive – be engaged – have an open mind – review the minutes and the agenda prior to the monthly meetings – build on everyone's strengths – do not talk over each other- commit to the commission – be on time – always help each other – no cellphone usage during meetings – come prepared – respect each other's time – be concise as possible. Klotz will make a poster of these new agreements to present at the next meeting.

4. Publicity Update:

Publicity Chair Jesus Cuevas shared his publicity goals for the year. His goals are: to have 200 followers on the GYC Instagram, make connections with Galt High clubs and leadership, and create a GYC website or improve on the current website.

Cuevas also shared that we should do individual class presentations at McCaffrey Middle School to promote incoming freshman to join the commission.

5. Health Awareness Day

Adult Mentor America Velasco presented an event proposal to the commission. A city wide Health Clinic would serve the purpose of helping the community with free clinical procedures (e.g. diabetes test, blood donations, vision tests). The event would be held in the Spring.

The only cost would be food for volunteers that are doing the screenings, which could be done through fundraising or donations. Adult mentor Lisa Klotz commented that the subcommittee could partner with Tiny Smiles Half Marathon race in the spring. A motion was needed to continue and move forward with the Health Fair.

Moved: O. Klotz Second: H. Hassey Ayes: 10 Nays: 0 Abstain: 0

The following commissioners volunteered to serve on the subcommittee: Gamez, Hassey, Munoz, Sessions, and Muller.

6. Crafting with Santa

Adult mentor Lupe Flores explained that Crafting with Santa would take place the night after the Lighting of the Night event. The event is intended for kindergarten through fourth graders and will be located at either the Littleton or Chabolla Community Center. The event will include arts and crafts, snacks, and music, last for three to four hours and require approximately 30 volunteers. A motion was made to approve and support Crafting with Santa.

Moved: M. Muller Second: J. Cuevas Ayes: 10 Nays: 0 Abstain: 0

Commissioners Cuevas, Hassey, Muller, Munoz and Sessions volunteered to serve on the sub-committee.

7. Heritage Festival Update

Adult mentor Leesa Klotz passed around a sign-up sheet to make lawn signs to attract people to the train exhibit at the Chabolla Community Center at the Heritage Festival.

8. Art Exhibit Update

Commissioner Juliet Rodriguez informed the commission that this year's art exhibit will take place on March 24th from 6:00 to 8:30 P.M. at the Littleton Center. The year's theme will be "How I Affect the World." Rodriguez is also seeking to have artist David Garibaldi and guitar players from Liberty Ranch High School provide entertainment. She anticipates the budget will be about \$6,000 for this event.

9. Galt Herald Editorials

Commissioners Amanda Yebra and Magaly Munoz and Bonnie Rodriguez from the Galt Herald shared their vision for this year's editorials. They are envisioning a monthly teen page that will include light and fun topics such as book and movie reviews, but also issues affecting teens.

The following commissioners volunteered to serve on the editorial board: Cuevas, Hassey, Klotz, Miller, Munoz, Rodriguez and Yebra.

10. Ordinance Revision

Adult mentor John Gordon recommended modifying the ordinance regarding city council membership in light of Councilmember Payne's retirement. The proposed language would change membership from a "council member" to "City of Galt representative appointed by City Council."

Moved: J. Cuevas Second: O. Klotz Ayes: 10 Nays: 0 Abstain: 0

11. Approval of minutes for meeting of August 1, 2016

Moved: A. Gamez Second: J. Cuevas Ayes: 10 Nays: 0 Abstain: 0

12. Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Alex Gamez shared the city is working on reconciling our funds. No report was given.

13. Galt Herald Newspaper

Commissioner Kirsten Miller shared the news article entitled "College, university presidents visit Galt" which appeared in the September 14th edition of the Galt Herald.

14. City Council Update

Council member Barbara Payne shared that the vote on keeping four hens in a backyard in Galt passed. She also mentioned that the City Council will be reviewing the ordinance of special events that take place at the Chabolla Community and Littleton Centers to look at fees and waivers.

15. Future Agenda Items

Adopt-A-Poll at the November election and Economic Development for the City of Galt were items suggested as future agenda items.

16. Around the horn / Give Your Gratitude

Adult mentor Leesa Klotz exclaimed on how proud she is of everyone in their new positions and introduced Tracie Cross as a potential adult mentor. Lupe Flores shared a thank you letter from Cal-Waste. Commissioners then proceeded to give props and shared gratitude for one another.

AJOURNMENT: Youth Chair J. Rodriguez adjourned the meeting at 7:57 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Martina Muller, GYC Youth Secretary