

GREELEY YOUTH COMMISSION MINUTES
Rodarte Community Center: Multi-Purpose Room and Zoom
Monday, September 25, 2023, 6:00 pm
Meeting Called to Order: 6:01 pm

1. ROLL CALL

Commissioners Calhoun, Franks, Rascon, Shawcross, and Zeller was present. Ex-Officio Laura Jones was also present. Staff present were Brecken Arnold, Recreation Supervisor and Alex Reaves, Recreation Manager.

2. INTRODUCTIONS

- a. Molly Shawcross-New Youth Commissioner

3. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE AUGUST 26, 2023; JUNE 26, 2023, AND JULY 24, 2023, MINUTES

- a. Commissioner Franks motioned to approve August 26, 2023; June 26, 2023, and July 24, 2023, minutes. Commissioner Rascon seconded the motion and the motion passed for August 26, 2023; June 26, 2023, and July 24, 2023, minutes.

4. ATTENDANCE CHART UPDATE

Youth Commission accepted the attendance chart.

5. CITIZEN INPUT

None at this time.

6. COMMITTEE REPORTS

CITY COUNCIL UPDATE/COMMENTS-None at this time.

EX-OFFICIO COMMENTS-None at this time.

STAFF LIASON COMMENTS- The Rodarte Boxing Club hosted a boxing smoker on Saturday, September 16, 2023, with fights starting at 2:00 pm. Over 500 attendees came out to watch the fights. We are in the process of a feasibility study for Anna Gimmestad Community Center.

7. NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Brooklyn Larimore reintroduction to the Youth Commission and discussion on how they can partner on vaping issues and education.
- b. Winter Clothing Drive was handed out to the Youth Commission and Commissioners will start asking for permission for their respective schools.
- c. Vote on officers' results: Chair is Maddie Zeller; Vice Chair is Kenzi Franks and Secretary is Josh Rason.
- d. 2023-2024 Goals
 - i. Family Learning Enrichment Program:
Building off of the work that was started this past school year with the peer literacy groups, we would love to see all families become involved in learning enrichment efforts here in the city. Workshops would be specialized based on the skills that youth commissioners have to offer, for example, Spanish lessons, writing lessons, etc. The "curriculum" of course

would still be centered around discussions of mental health, incorporating such content into the workshops themselves. We would love to see this scheduled into the after-school program, on weekends, and even fun “family night” type events.

- The first event will take place on Monday, October 23, 2023, at 5:00 pm at the Rodarte Community Center.

ii. Extended Youth Commission Marketing:

One of our big struggles during this past school year was having active participants here on the youth commission. We would love to put out frequent social media ads, including videos made by current members that describe their experience on the commission and why fellow youth should consider joining. In addition, we would like to see posted materials in all District 6 office facilities, middle schools, and high schools to advertise the youth commission. Along with this, advertising for upcoming events, including the National Youth Service Day Awards would be included in these marketing efforts.

- Staff will submit a C&E ticket for marketing.

8. OLD BUSINESS

- a. National Youth Service Day Awards 2024 changes and marketing discussion-City staff proposed a new schedule for the new process of selecting the 2024 National Youth Service Day Award winner.

9. NEXT MEETING AGENDA ITEMS

- a. 2023-2034 Goals and direction
- b. NYSDA 2024 changes/marketing
- c. Winter Clothing Drive

10. NEXT MEETING: Monday, October 23, 2023, 6:00 pm at the Rodarte Community Center

Meeting adjourned 6:53 pm

Secretary-Kenzi Franks

Chair- Maddie Zeller