

**YOUTH ADVISORY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
April 9, 2025**

1. CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Chair Tatari at 6:06 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL:

- a. Present: Bhattacharyya, Birru, Cervantes, Freiligh, Nath, Syed, Chair Tatari, Tirumanadham, Yangali
- b. Absent: Gonzales, Vice Chair Hakimi, A. Kaur, S. Kaur, Strickland
- c. Tardy: None
- d. Adult Commissioners Present: Amezquita-Javier, Chavez
- e. Staff Present: Amanda Jensen, Recreation Coordinator
- f. Recorded by: Amanda Jensen, Recreation Coordinator

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The pledge of allegiance was led by Chair Tatari.

4. ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE:

There were no items from the audience.

5. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:

- a. Review and Approve the Special Meeting Minutes from March 5, 2025.

ACTION: A motion was made to approve the minutes with the amendment to the spelling of Commissioner Yangali's last name, by Commissioner Bhattacharya and seconded by Commissioner Syed. A roll call vote found all in favor. Passes and so ordered.

6. OLD BUSINESS:

- a. Review and Discuss Commission Goals, Objectives, and Action Steps for the Year 2025

Chair Tatari reviewed the 2025 Youth Advisory Commission Goals, Objectives, and Action Steps with the Commission. Commissioner discussion followed.

The Commission discussed the following Goals and Objectives:

1. Goal - Program Enhancement
 - 1.A.1. – Plan and implement an event or program within the teen community

Staff Jensen provided an update for the subcommittee due to all of the Commissioners being absent or missing the meeting. She discussed that the group would like to try to over a job fair on a Saturday in August, around 10am-12pm. She mentioned that the Commissioners also brainstormed possibly providing free snacks and a draw for participation.

Chair Tatari suggested that all of the marketing created also be translated into Spanish and to also try to include trades.

Adult Commissioner Amezquita-Javier mentioned that she found that Stockton WorkNet recently held a teen job fair, and they would be a great resource to reach out to.

- 1.B.1. – Work with Recreation staff to implement an event or program and work with

the local high schools to market the event

Commissioner Cervantes provided an update for the subcommittee meeting. He discussed that the group worked on seeing how many hours the event should be held and how many performs that would allow to participate. He also mentioned that they discussed having YAC MC the event and act as backstage management.

Commissioner Freiligh suggested having the flyers, once created, distributed to all of the schools in Tracy.

A meeting was scheduled for April 24th.

1.C.2. – Work with staff to develop Rollin' Rec program aspects that would draw in teen participation

The subcommittee was unable to meet. A meeting was rescheduled for April 24th.

2. Goal – Community Outreach

2.A.1. – Work with local service clubs and organizations to host a drive benefitting the local community

The subcommittee was unable to meet. A meeting was rescheduled for April 29th.

2.B.1. – Work with local non-profits to create a community service opportunity database or pamphlet to provide teens with a comprehensive list

The subcommittee was unable to meet. A meeting was rescheduled for April 29th.

2.C.1. – Assist Recreation staff in helping to spread awareness on YAC and its purpose

Staff Jensen thanked Commissioners Bhattacharya, S. Kaur, Nath, and Yangali for helping at the Farmer's Market on Saturday, March 29th to assist with YAC recruitment. She also reminded the Commission that volunteering four times per year at community events/famer's markets are part of their goals.

2.D.1. – Work with staff to develop aesthetic and teen targets YAC social media posts

Staff Jensen provided an update for the subcommittee due to all of the Commissioners being absent or missing the meeting. She mentioned that the group discussed filming a day in the life of a YAC Commissioner at an event, interviews with YAC at different parks to highlight both, Tik Tok dance trends, fun facts about YAC, the City, or each Commissioner, or potentially interviewing the Director of the Parks, Recreation & Community Services Department about the Multigenerational Center or council projects for teens to know about.

Staff Jensen stated all Commissioners would receive calendar invites for upcoming subcommittee meetings.

b. Discuss the Youth Advisory Commission's Participation with the Summer Teen Camps

Commissioner Bhattacharya provided an update for the subcommittee meeting. He mentioned that the group came up with a list of various locations to market the camps including churches, gyms, coffee shops, and social media, particularly targeting parents who signed their teens up.

A meeting was scheduled for April 29th.

- c. Discuss the Youth Advisory Commission's Participation with the Teen Only Night at the Joe Wilson Pool

Staff Jensen mentioned that she created the calendar for the Commissioners to sign-up for the Teen Only Nights that they are available to assist with and she passed it around to each of the Commissioners.

Adult Commissioner Amezquita-Javier suggested taking the flyer to the Joe Wilson Pool for the swim team practices.

A meeting was scheduled for April 24th.

7. NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Discuss and Approve the Youth Advisory Commission's Participation in the 4th Annual Tracy Earth Day Event on April 26, 2025

Staff Jensen shared information about the Tracy Earth Day Event and explained that the Commission has been participating each year. She reiterated that it was great opportunity to take part in this community event.

Commissioner discussion followed.

Commissioner Cervantes, Frelich, & Tirumanadham volunteered to assist from 9am-11am, Commissioner Bhattacharya volunteered to assist from 9am-1pm, Chair Tatari volunteered to assist from 10am-1pm, Commissioner Birru volunteered to assist from 9am-12pm, and Commissioner Syed volunteered to assist from 11am-1pm.

ACTION: A motion was made to participate with the summer teen camps by Commissioner Nath and seconded by Chair Tatari. A roll call vote found all in favor. Passed and so ordered.

8. ITEMS FROM THE STAFF:

- a. Rollin' Rec Dates

Staff Jensen reminded the Commission that attending and assisting staff at Rollin' Rec a minimum of two dates per activity guide are part of their goals. She also mentioned that Rollin' Rec will be participating in the Tom Hawkins Elementary School Block Party on Friday, April 25th. Those available to help can send her an email or sign-up on the volunteer calendar for the Teen Pool Nights.

- b. YAC Recruitment Deadline, 4/18/25

Staff Jensen reminded the Commission that the YAC recruitment was still open for youth. She mentioned those with terms expiring in July, to reapply as well. She also stated that applications are still needed from Tracy, Millennium and West High School to ensure representation from all schools.

c. Senior Center: Boots & Tiaras Bash, 5/14, 4pm-7pm

Staff Jensen reminded the Commission that assisting the Lolly Hansen Senior Center staff at senior center events a minimum of one time per activity guide is part of their goals and the next available event that is not during school hours, is the new Boots & Tiaras Bash that will be held on May 14th. Anyone available to assist was asked to email Staff Jensen.

9. ITEMS FROM THE COMMISSION

Chair Tatari shared that she attended the Mayor's Youth Teen Hall, and she had a lot of fun. She encouraged the other Commissioners to participate in any future events similar to stay informed. She suggested adding a monthly calendar on the City social media, pinned, that has upcoming events for the month.

Commissioner Cervantes shared that his school talent show will be held on Wednesday, April 30th for those interested in watching.

Commissioner Nath shared that she attended the City of Tracy's Student Government Day and enjoyed herself. She mentioned getting to participate in a mock City Council meeting and shared that it was a great opportunity.

Adult Commissioner Amezquita-Javier shared that she would be in attendance at the block party at Tom Hawkins Elementary School to be with YAC assisting with the Rollin' Rec. program.

10. ADJOURNMENT:

Time: 7:02pm

ACTION: A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Chair Tatari and seconded by Commissioner Nath. Roll call vote found all in favor. Passed and so ordered.

The above agenda was posted at the Tracy City Hall on April 3, 2025. The above are action minutes. A recording is available at the Parks and Recreation Department.


Amanda Jensen, Staff Liaison