

**YOUTH ADVISORY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
May 14, 2025**

1. CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Vice Chair Hakimi at 6:04 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL:

- a. Present: Bhattacharyya, Cervantes, Gonzales, Vice Chair Hakimi, A. Kaur, S. Kaur, Nath, Strickland, Syed, Yangali
- b. Absent: Birru, Freiligh, Chair Tatari, Tirumanadham,
- c. Tardy: None
- d. Adult Commissioners Present: Amezquita-Javier, Yarber-Alexander
- 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 Vice Chair Hakimi.

4. ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE:

There were no items from the audience.

5. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:

- a. Review and Approve the Regular Meeting Minutes from April 9, 2025.

ACTION: A motion was made to approve the minutes by Commissioner Bhattacharya and seconded by Commissioner Cervantes. 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

Vice Chair Hakimi 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

A meeting was scheduled for June 2nd for the subcommittee to select potential dates.

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

Commissioner S. Kaur provided an update for the subcommittee. She discussed that they researched new equipment, games and activities that can be done at the high schools. Staff Jensen added that the list was provided to the Recreation Coordinator who oversees Rollin' Rec.

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

Commissioner Bhattacharya provided an update for the subcommittee. He stated the subcommittee discussed how to monitor the prizes for the drive, to ensure that someone did not participate, does not get a prize.

Commissioner A. Kaur suggested doing it between periods.

Commissioner Gonzalez suggested perhaps holding the competition between grades or by English classes.

A meeting was scheduled for June 2nd to further discuss the competition aspect of the drive.

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 June 2nd.

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

Staff Jensen provided an update and mentioned that the flyers and postcards for the summer camps had been created and were going out to be distributed. Staff Jensen stated that she will let the Commissioner know when the marketing has been posted to social media for everyone to share.

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

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A meeting was scheduled for April 24th.

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

Staff Jensen thanked Commissioner Cervantes, Freiligh, Tirumandadham, Bhattacharya, Birru, & Nath for assisting at the event and asked if any of the Commissioners that attended would like to talk about the event.

Commissioner Cervantes shared that it was a cool event and that he felt that it was a great bonding experience with the other Commissioners. He also mentioned that it was great to interact with the community.

Commissioner Nath shared that she also liked the event and all of the vendors.

7. 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 the last date for the Winter/Spring season would be Wednesday, May 21st.

b. YAC Recruitment Update

Staff Jensen provide an update on the YAC recruitment that closed on April 18th. She mentioned that 40 applications were received and she, along with Adult Commissioner Amezquita-Javier, have been doing interviews all week concluding on May 15th. She also mentioned that there are a lot of great applicants, and the decision would be extremely difficult.

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

Staff Jensen asked the Commission if anyone was able to assist prior to the meeting and 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.

d. Movies on the Plaza; 6/27, 7/25, 8/22

Staff Jensen mentioned that the Movies on the Plaza series would be starting in June and occur once a month through the summer. She also mentioned that it is a great opportunity to get community service hours for themselves or if they know of anyone looking.

8. ITEMS FROM THE COMMISSION

Commissioner Bhattacharya congratulated Commission Nath on being the West High School valedictorian.

Commissioner Gonzalez shared that Commissioner Cervantes is also the valedictorian of Millennium High School.

Vice Chair Hakimi shared that her club, ALAS, will be celebrating the year with free tacos.

Adult Commissioner Amezquita-Javier thanked the Commissioners for their dedication during her time on the Commission and congratulated those graduated. She let the Commissioners know that she would not be reapplying as an Adult Advisor and would be joining the school council at her son's school.

Adult Commissioner Yarber-Alexander also congratulated the 2025 graduates and wished them luck. She also mentioned that the Tracy African American Association would be holding their annual Juneteenth event on Saturday, June 7th from 10am-6pm.

9. ADJOURNMENT:

Time: 6:49pm

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

The above agenda was posted at the Tracy City Hall on May 8, 2025. The above are action minutes. A recording is available at the Parks and Recreation Department.

Amanda G. Jensen
Amanda Jensen, Staff Liaison