City of Fresno Youth Commission – Minutes - Final

Date: Friday, January 25, 2019

Location: Fresno City Hall – Room 2165A

1. <u>5:33 P.M. Call to Order</u>

2. Roll Call

Present: 8 – Chair Antonio Jauregui* (Mayor's Office), 1st Vice Chair Marco Sanchez (Mayor's Office), 2nd Vice Chair Citlali Palma* (CD 6), Sergeant of Arms Kyra Vang (CD 5), Secretary Alyssa Villegas* (CD 4), Commissioner Daniel Galvan* (CD 3), Commissioner Luis Guzman (CD 4), and Commissioner Adriana Reyes* (CD 5)

Absent: 2 – Commissioner Ciweya Tennison (CD 3), and Commissioner Gabriela Martinez (CD 6)

Vacancies: 6 - Voting seats and alternate seats for CD 1, CD 2, and CD 7

1st Vice Chair Sanchez was in a car accident and joined the meeting via conference call. Commissioner Galvan also joined the meeting via conference call.

Youth Leadership Institute Program Coordinator Jose Espinoza was absent and in his place, Truong "Rich" Nguyen facilitated the meeting.

CD = Council District
Asterisk (*) = Voting Member

3. Review & Approve Agenda

On motion of Commissioner Reyes, seconded by Secretary Villegas, that the agenda for 1/25/19 be approved. Passed 5-0.

Ayes - 5: Galvan, Jauregui, Palma, Villegas, Reyes

Noes - 0: None Absent - 0: None

4. Ice Breaker

YLI Coordinator Nguyen asked the commissioners to share one word that they want to focus on and to be accountable for in 2019. Coordinator Nguyen chose evolve; Reyes chose improvement; Villegas chose responsibility; Guzman chose improvement; Palma chose growth; Jauregui chose fitness; Sanchez chose development; Galvan chose success; and Vang chose motivation.

5. Commissioners' Reports and Comments

Chair Jauregui asked if anyone had anyone had any reports and/or comments. None made.

6. Review & Approve Minutes

On motion of Chair Jauregui, seconded by Secretary Villegas, that the minutes of 12/5/18 and 12/21/18 be approved. Passed 5-0.

Ayes - 5: Galvan, Jauregui, Palma, Villegas, Reyes

Noes - 0: None Absent - 0: None

7. Presentations

a. Fresno Art Museum Presentation

Chair Jauregui introduced this item. Representatives from the museum could not make today's meeting. Chair Jauregui shared an invitation from the museum's curator and from a museum board member for an event called "A New Feasting on Art" dinner party to be held on 2/16/19 from 5-9 PM at the museum. The registration for the event is 2/9/19 and tickets are \$125.00 each. This is a benefit for the museum's exhibitions and education programs. He stated that he would be in contact with the museum staff in relation to the event and asked the commissioners to help promote the event.

b. Brown Act Training

Coordinator Nguyen introduced this item. Each commissioner took turns reading one slide from the presentation. Coordinators Nguyen and Coordinator Marco Martinez of the City Clerk's Office provided clarification and answered questions.

2nd Vice Chair Palma asked if she was breaking the Brown Act if she communicated with coordinators. She also expressed confusion about "a minority being able to meet privately" not being a violation. Coordinator Martinez said she was not breaking the act by communicating with the coordinators, unless other commissioners equating to quorum were also involved in the discussion either as a group (hub-and spoke) or through the daisy chain method of communication. He also clarified that a minority consisting of less than quorum could discuss an issue without violating the Act, but cautioned that it could be very easy to communicate with a number equal to or greater than quorum and those commissioners should strive to hold official communications during noticed meetings.

Coordinator Nguyen also gave an example of Brown Act violations through the hub-and-spoke method. He also stated that communication via text message, social media, and phone could also lead to Brown Act violations.

Commissioner Guzman asked about the consequences of Brown Act violations. Coordinator Martinez stated that possible consequences included fines, invalidations of previous commission actions, negative public relations/publicity with the public and city officials, and the possible termination of the board/commission that committed the violations.

c. Recess

Chair Jauregui asked for a 10 minute recess so commissioners could get dinner. On motion of 2nd Vice Chair Palma, seconded by Secretary Villegas, that the commission recess for 10 minutes. Passed 5-0.

Ayes - 5: Galvan, Jauregui, Palma, Villegas, Reyes

Noes - 0: None Absent - 0: None

The Commission recessed at 6:13 PM and reconvened at 6:24 PM.

d. Capacity Building Training

Coordinator Nguyen led the training. He placed five signs labeled: comfortable, very comfortable, uncomfortable, very uncomfortable, and neutral – around the room and asked the commissioners to stand next to the sign that best represented how they felt as he asked various questions. Questions included: how comfortable they felt trying new foods, traveling to a foreign country alone, intervening when someone is getting bullied, walking around their neighborhood, and hurting back someone that had hurt them.

The commissioners discussed why they were comfortable, uncomfortable or neutral in response to the questions and discussed what they learned from the training. Secretary Villegas stated that it was good to talk openly and see what things the commissioners had in common. Commissioner Reyes spoke about moral relativism in terms of peoples values. 2nd Vice Chair Palma stated that the training was good for self-reflection. And Chair Jauregui liked the visual aspect of the exercise because it was easier to see where people stood in relation to each question.

Coordinator Nguyen concluded the training.

The phone connection with Commissioner Galvan was lost at 6:54 PM, and since alternate Commissioner Tennison was absent, the commission was without quorum.

The commission meeting was adjourned by Chair Jauregui at 6:55 PM.