

MEETING MINUTES

Dominican University Edgehill Mansion, San Rafael, CA 94901
Monday, May 16, 2016

In Attendance: Vaughan, Nick, Henry, Sarah, Ethan, Ruby, Leah, Tara, Abby, Danielle, Bilal, Liza, Josh, Hector, and Rose

Absent: Alejandro

<p>6:30pm – Meeting Called to Order</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Call to order/Roll call; Approval of Agenda; Approval of 5/2/16 Minutes 2) Time for public expression (3 minute limit p/p) 	<p>Meeting called to order at 6:36 Roll call reflected above, with 15 commissioners in attendance. Minutes were approved. Agenda was approved. Rose was in NY running an environmental conference. Liza reported that D5 had their board of Supervisor meeting today and it went well. On Saturday, Sarah’s family went to farms and got fresh farm produce, chickens and her mom made chicken last night. They still have two more chickens to cook. Abby’s family friend sold them a cheap Miata from the 1990’s that her parents say they will teach her to drive when she’s older. Ruby, Bilal, and Jose from Friday Night Live talked at a First 5 brunch about YLI’s work in Marin on equity and access to alcohol reduction. Bilal talked to a Marin IJ reporter and there is a great article. Ethan was on a camping trip with a vegan person and they didn’t have a lot of substantial food. Bilal was at a musical all weekend.</p>
<p>6:40pm – 6:50pm – Welcome/Opening</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Icebreaker ➤ Group Agreements Review 	<p>Icebreaker – Looking game outside facilitated by Ruby. Group agreements (popcorn style)</p>
<p>6:50pm – 7:00pm – Old Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Marin Human Race Update ➤ MCYC Recruitment Update ➤ District Supervisor Meeting Dates & Times 	<p>Marin Human Race was a week ago. A Runners’ Mind sponsored the YLI team and produced bright neon shirts for everyone. These were designed by Vaughan and looked really good. Ruby and Sarah took a restroom break without realizing the race started and had to sprint to catch up to get around bagpipers. Josh ran 3 miles in 22 minutes and was the third teenager to finish. The total amount raised for YLI Marin programs was close to \$3,000. The fundraising site remains open until May 27, so there is still time to bring in more.</p> <p>MCYC recruitment for 2016-2017 is going strong, with about 30 applications so far. Some districts like 5 have a lot of applicants. Few commissioners who have expressed interest in returning have applied yet. As there are a lot of applications, and there are only 2 commissioners per district plus 10, the process will be very competitive. Don’t procrastinate. Deadline is June 24. “Cows seem placid.” The change in date of the fall orientation and social justice retreat have come as a surprise to some people as it is a week earlier than in past years, in order to give more time for training so</p>

	<p>we can get into policy work early. While participation is mandatory, a workaround has been established if you already have an unchangeable conflict. Missing the 8 hour retreat would obligate returning Commissioners to an additional 16 hours meeting and orienting new Commissioners or facilitating social justice activities. This modification is only for returning commissioners. There are no exceptions for the swearing in ceremony. Dates have been on applications since they've been released. A few commissioners expressed concern about the lack of earlier notification given plans that have been in place for a number of months. This topic will be considered by the Cabinet and YLI staff and brought back to the Commission at the 5/31 meeting for further discussion.</p> <p>Scheduled BOS District Meetings:</p> <p>D1 Damon Connolly 5/25 @ 3:30 D2 Katie Rice 5/17 @ 4:30 D3 Kate Sears 5/25 @ 4:30 D4 Steve Kinsey 5/27 @ 3:00 D5 Judy Arnold 5/16 @ 4:00</p> <p>Meet at Board of Supervisors Chamber. Get there 10-15 minutes early, as the group won't be allowed in to meeting in unless everyone is present. Dress professionally and do not be late.</p>
<p>7:00 – 8:15pm – New Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Potential new Commission Meeting Day ➤ Report on 4/19 Meeting with Marin County Administrator, Matthew Hymel ➤ Work session: Prep for year end meetings w/Supervisors 	<p>Discussed possible change in meeting date for next year to Tuesdays or Thursdays to allow for possibility of meeting at the Marin County Civic Center. While sitting Commissioners prefer Mondays because there are fewer school conflicts earlier in the week, many seemed to think that Tuesdays could be workable with some preference for maintaining Mondays.</p> <p>Bilal and Ruby met with YLI staff and County Administrator, Matthew Hymel, about MCYC and YLI activities in Marin. One of the outcomes of the meeting was the possibility of MCYC meeting at the Civic Center which could help elevate awareness of MCYC activities at the County level and lead to more engagement with the Board of Supervisors and County staff. This would necessitate a move to Tuesday or Thursday evenings when the Civic Center is open later.</p> <p>Bilal, Ruby and Jose Gomez, Vice President of the Friday Night Live Chapter at Novato High spoke at a First Five Breakfast focused on race and equity in Marin. There were over 300 people, including supervisors and other elected officials They were very well received, including getting two standing ovations. Deborah reported that, later that evening, an email went out from Novato High School to all student households in the district, explaining the A-G requirements. This event also was covered in a front page article in the Marin IJ, which featured Bilal.</p> <p>District 5 meeting with Judy Arnold went well. Supervisor Arnold was informal, very proud of the work of the Education Equity Committee and all the work being done by the MCYC. Educational equity was discussed at some length.</p>

Takeaways for other ways to be prepared for future supervisor meetings: Group did not have representation from ATOD, so for the future, if commissioner groups do not have representation from each subcommittee, someone other than a YLI adult staff person should be prepared to discuss overview of each committee's work. Think ahead of time about questions FOR the Supervisors. These might include: addressing future plans and goals and ways to better connect the BOS and MCYC; ask them to come to MCYC events (e.g., Food Justices' Harvest Festival, date to be determined); help and support passing policy for all committee initiatives.

Some possible questions we can ask Supervisors:

- What work have you done or would consider doing with regards to our initiatives addressing educational equity, food justice and reduction of alcohol and drug use?
- What issues are you most passionate about?
- If you were a youth commissioner, what would you think were important issues to engage in?
- Are there any helpful contacts you would suggest we reach out to in any of our work?

Other topics for meetings

- Focus on what we've done and milestones achieved.
- Express concern about Kiely's leaving and the reasons she had to leave.
- Describe interest in modeling MCYC using best practices from commissions around the state to increase impact and reach of our work. YLI is facilitating the Fresno and San Mateo Youth Commissions and looking to start some in Windsor and Napa.
- These meetings are to make them care about what we do and if we really know our stuff, they will really take us seriously. If we get out there a lot more, and know we're serious about what we're doing, they'll take us more seriously. Be personable and establish relationship and connection.

Committee highlights and updates for use in Supervisorial meetings:

Food Justice: We have been focused on updating and improving the gardens of two schools, Marin Oaks and Linwood, with the ultimate goal of trying to get fresh, healthy food into the school cafeterias and more education to students about healthy food. At the end of the year Harvest Festival, we will pick food and have educational, fun activities. Long-term goal is to make policy change to try to regulate what goes into the school food program.

Education Equity: Our committee has focused on two primary

	<p>activities: 1) Showing the documentary, <u>Beyond the Surface, Educational Inequity in Marin</u>, that was produced last year on public access television; and 2) making sure all students are informed about A-G requirements to reduce disparity on students graduating with UC/CSU eligibility. MCYC subcommittee has sent out a survey to analyze how kids are or are not hearing about these requirements. Long-term goal is to figure out if awareness is the problem, and work with school administrations to see how they can raise awareness and ultimately bridge the disparity gaps between graduation rates. Collaborated with Marin Promise to collect more relevant, student-focused data.</p> <p><u>ATOD</u>: Ultimate goal is to make or change a policy regarding underage access to alcohol. Committee conducted 103 intensive, one-on-one surveys and are working on finishing up analyzing them. Work will continue to identify specific policy interventions based on information discovered. The surveys addressed a variety of issues related to underage access to alcohol in Marin. 14 different sectors (populations) were targeted in these interviews. One thing that was evident is that there was a lot of finger pointing between sectors and a lot of blame going around. One particular policy initiative will be directed at how much alcohol advertising can be done in windows of stores. A number of stores currently exceed the state mandates in advertising and local ordinances are more restrictive. For example, Fresno reduced that number to 10% but with a certain proximity of a school, stores can't have any tobacco or alcohol advertising in their store windows.</p>
<p>8:15 – 8:20 – Announcements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Applications ➤ Self assessments next meeting ➤ Next Cabinet meeting is May 23rd from 4:30-5:30pm ➤ Last MCYC meeting is Tuesday 5/31 (not Mon 5/30) ➤ End of year celebration: June 4 	<p>Get applications in for 2016-2017 MCYC if you are hoping to return.</p> <p>At the next meeting, commissioners will complete self-assessments which will be reviewed for those reapplying, in advance of their interviews.</p> <p>Send your ideas about end of the year celebrations to Lisa ahead of time so we can do some pre-planning before the last MCYC meeting, which is only 4 days before our end of the year event.</p>
<p>8:20-8:25 Clean Up</p>	
<p>8:25-8:30 Closing and Adjourn</p>	<p>Quick closing by going around to say favorite moments. Lots of people enjoyed the opportunity to practice for Supervisor meetings and felt that it helped to highlight how much had been accomplished this year. Ruby made a motion to adjourn meeting, seconded and everyone voted in favor.</p>
<p>Additional Notes:</p>	<p>TO DO:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Email out: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • minutes to MCYC

