



MINUTES

IRVINE CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES ADVISORY COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING

February 26, 2020

Irvine Civic Center
L102 Conference Room
One Civic Center Plaza
Irvine, CA 92606

CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Irvine Children, Youth and Families Advisory Committee was called to order at 5:39 p.m. by Chair Johnson-Norris.

ROLL CALL

Present: 9

Vice Chair	Wendy Bokota
Committee Member	Theresa Collins
Committee Member	Dina Eletreby
Committee Member	Lily Freeman
Committee Member	Ense Kwan
Committee Member	Zhihai Li
Committee Member	Branda Lin
Committee Member	Christina Liu
Chair	Lauren Johnson-Norris

Absent: 6

Committee Member	Luz Arellano
Committee Member	Brooke Cazier
Committee Member	Shelby Clatterbuck
Committee Member	Diane Gale
Committee Member	Christine Ito
Committee Member	Dayna Money

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Johnson-Norris led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INTRODUCTIONS

There were no introductions.

PRESENTATIONS

1. 40 Developmental Assets

Lisa Osmanian Weinfurter, Community Services Specialist and Committee Member Lily Freeman, High School Youth Action Team Department Aide provided a presentation on Developmental Assets and Youth Programming. The presentation included an overview of the developmental assets framework and identified how the City uses the framework to strengthen its youth programming.

Committee discussion included: how staff engage students who typically do not participate in structured clubs and activities; teachers' knowledge of the developmental assets framework and past trainings provided; frequency of data collection by the Search Institute on developmental assets among young people in the United States; and new areas/assets that City programs may incorporate into program implementation.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Committee Member Lai identified two programs based out of UC Irvine that may be of interest to the Committee. One program focuses on using music to enhance mental development, and the other (THINK: Philosophy for Early Adolescents) focuses on building critical thinking skills in youth by introducing philosophical discourse.
- Administrator Buchanan distributed and reviewed a handout listing topics of interest that the Committee identified for future internal meetings and community forums/workshops.
- Committee Member Liu announced that the High School Youth Action Team will be hosting the 26th Annual Teen Summit on March 7, 2020 at Lakeview Senior Center. This youth development conference will feature 7 workshops on topics including Leadership, Building Resiliency, Overcoming Hardships, Being Brave and Taking Risks, College Experience Q & A Panel, and Tai Chi. Approximately 400 students are expected to attend the event.
- Administrator Buchanan announced that Irvine Unified School District (IUSD) held a parent night on substance use and vaping dangers on February 4, in collaboration with Hoag Hospital. This was the second forum held by IUSD on this topic this school year.
- Administrator Buchanan informed the group that he has reached out to IUSD to learn more about their Language Support Services, as the topic was identified as an area of interest by the Committee. He is hoping to have updates from IUSD at the next Committee meeting.

COMMITTEE MEMBER UPDATES

Youth Action Team Project Updates

Committee Members Freeman and Liu provided an update on High School Youth Action Team programs held from December 2019 through February 2020, including:

On-Campus Activities

- Fifteen high school lunchtime forums on topics including test anxiety, stress management, eating disorders, building character, self-love, redefining failure, and healthy teen relationships

Off-Campus Activities

- Acoustic Music Concert with 35 students performing and more than 150 students in attendance
- Two college campus tours

Community Service

- Seventy community service projects, bringing total volunteer hours to more than 5,000 for the fiscal year to date.

Committee Members Freeman and Liu also announced several upcoming events including the Battle of the Bands, the 26th Annual Teen Summit, and on-campus forums. They also announced the opening of a recruitment for students to apply for next year's Youth Action Team staff.

ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

2. APPROVAL OF IRVINE CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

ACTION: Moved by Committee Member Johnson-Norris and seconded by Committee Member Collins to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Irvine Children, Youth and Families Advisory Committee held November 13, 2019.

The motion carried as follows:

Ayes: 7 Committee Members: Bokota, Collins, Eletreby, Freeman, Kwan, Li, Liu

Absent: 6 Committee Members: Arellano, Cazier, Clatterbuck, Gale, Ito, Money

Abstain: 2 Committee Members: Johnson-Norris, Lin

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Committee Member Lin, seconded by Committee Member Collins, and unanimously carried by those members present, to adjourn the meeting at 6:36 p.m.



LAUREN JOHNSON-NORRIS
CHAIR


Laurie Gruschka (Mar 30, 2021 16:44 PDT)

LAURIE GRUSCHKA
RECORDING SECRETARY

Date Approved: November 18, 2020