



**YOUTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
(YAC)**

**November 28, 2019 - 5:30 p.m.  
Oak Room, Century House**

**MINUTES**

**VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Helen Guan	- NWSS Representative
Tony Jiang	- NWSS Representative
Jacky Liao	- NWSS Representative
Shawn Lichtmann	- NWSS Representative
Julia Mosi	- NWSS Representative
Rahul Patel	- NWSS Representative
Amir Rezaei	- NWSS Representative
Roshaad Rodney	- NWSS Representative
Nelson Roy	- NWSS Representative
Olivia Smith	- NWSS Representative
Philia Zhang	- NWSS Representative

**VOTING MEMBERS REGRETS:**

Elizabeth Merinuk	- NWSS Representative
Mark Tabangay	- NWSS Representative
Danny Yang	- NWSS Representative

**NON-VOTING MEMBERS REGRETS:**

Bruce Cunnings	- SD#40 Representative
Councillor Nakagawa	- City Council Representative
Karon Trenaman	- ICBC Representative

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Silisha Ali	- Youth Services Coordinator
Heather Corbett	- Committee Clerk

The meeting was called to order at 5:36 p.m.

## **1.0 ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA**

### **1.1 Additions to and adoption of the Agenda of November 28, 2019**

#### **MOVED AND SECONDED**

*THAT the agenda of the November 28, 2019 Youth Advisory Committee meeting be adopted as circulated.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of the Commission present voted in favour of the motion.

## **2.0 ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES**

### **2.1 Adoption of the Minutes of October 24, 2019**

#### **MOVED and SECONDED**

*THAT the minutes of the October 24, 2019 Youth Advisory Committee meeting be adopted as circulated.*

**CARRIED.**

All members of the Committee present voted in favour of the motion

## **3.0 PRESENTATIONS**

### **3.1 Ice Breaker**

Silisha Ali, Youth Services Coordinator, selected a conversation card and Committee members provided the following responses to the question, “What was the most exciting airplane flight you ever took?”:

- Flying on 1<sup>st</sup> class tickets to Florida;
- Flight to Europe for a fun family holiday;
- Flight to Montreal on an exchange program;
- Running for a flight on a trip from New York back to Vancouver;
- An emergency landing in Salt Lake City due to a medical emergency;
- Flight to Jamaica and lost bags for three weeks;
- First time travelling without parents;
- Flight to India, with a stopover in Dubai;
- Flying when young;
- Flight to Iran;
- Flight to Hawaii, which was exciting because of missing school;
- Flight to Australia;
- Flight to Trinidad, which was exciting because of the big group of people travelling together; and,

- Flight from China to England when really young, and getting scared by the safety video.

#### **4.0 UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

There were no items.

#### **5.0 NEW BUSINESS**

##### **5.1 Chairing Process/Schedule**

Silisha Ali, Youth Program Coordinator, reviewed the chair process and schedule which was included in the meeting agenda package and outlined the duties of the Chair at each meeting, which is also noted on the handouts provided.

##### **5.2 Youth Advisory Committee Next Steps**

This item was tabled to the next meeting, as Councillor Nakagawa was not in attendance.

Heather Corbett, Committee Clerk, gave some brief information on the City's Committee review process that had occurred in 2019, and the resulting Committee structure going forward.

##### **5.3 Upcoming Opportunities and Projects:**

- **Proclamations: Anti Bullying Day, Youth Week**
- **Parklet Design**

Silisha Ali, Youth Program Coordinator, discussed two proclamations at Council meetings that Youth Services usually organize, and invited Committee members to take part:

- Anti-bullying day, in late February; and,
- Youth week, in May.

Ms. Ali described what a parklet is and discussed possible plans for building one near the Youth Centre, in celebration of the Youth Centre's 10 year anniversary. Ms. Ali noted that more information would be available in the coming months, and invited Committee members to sign up to help the Parks department to design and fundraise for the parklet.

## **5.4 Tentative Upcoming Agenda Items**

Silisha Ali, Youth Program Coordinator, advised that she and Carilyn Cook, Committee Clerk, had reviewed the list of topics (as suggested at the October meeting) and put together a tentative schedule of agenda items for the coming year, including the following items:

- January 2020: Opportunity to direct questions to the School District;
- February 2020: Environment – an opportunity to ask questions and discuss concerns with relevant City staff; and,
- April 2020: Reconciliation – an opportunity to ask questions and discuss the topic with relevant City staff.

## **6.0 REPORTS AND INFORMATION**

### **6.1 Council Report – Council Representative**

No report was provided.

### **6.2 ICBC Representative Report – Karon Trenaman**

No report was provided.

### **6.3 SD40 Representative Report**

No report was provided.

### **6.4 Youth Coordinator’s Report**

Silisha Ali, Youth Program Coordinator, provided information on the following events:

- A free Christmas Dinner event will take place on Thursday, December 12 at the Youth Centre for grades 6-12, with games, DJs, etc;
- A Queensborough youth Christmas Dinner will take place on December 20; and,
- The City’s Civic Dinner will take place on January 23, 2020, at Anvil Centre and all Committee members from last year will be invited.

### **6.5 Member Reports – Committee**

Members provided the following announcements:

- University applications are due imminently;
- A climate strike is happening tomorrow (November 29);
- The NWSS band concert is happening next week (early December);
- The NWSS Food Drive is ending tomorrow (November 29); and,
- Report cards were released on the electronic hub today.

Members also shared that they were busy with school work and activities such as soccer, basketball and chess club.

## **7.0 NEXT MEETING DATE**

Thursday, January 16, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. – Oak Room, Century House

The date was change from the date originally published on the agenda because the Civic Dinner is taking place on January 23, 2020.

## **8.0 ADJOURNMENT**

**ON MOTION**, the meeting was adjourned at 6:21 p.m.

Certified Correct,

Original Signed

**Nelson Roy**  
**Co-Chair**

Original Signed

**Heather Corbett**  
**Committee Clerk**