RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
CITY OF LAFAYETTE
Lafayette Youth Advisory Committee Meeting
March 7, 2012
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Call to Order/Roll Call

Co-Chair Lauren Jones called the March 7 meeting to order at 6:41 pm in the Nyland Room at the Lafayette Recreation Center, 111 W. Baseline Road, Lafayette, Colorado. The following Committee Members were present: Wyatt Clarke, Madison Cowan, Jacob Ettinger, Emily Gardner, Faun Gulland, Paige Jones, Jessica Lawson, Jasjit Mangat, Emma Piller, Abby Schmid, Sammy Secrist, Balkarn Shani, and Gabi Weldon. Also present were Councilor Christine Berg, Advisory Members Karen Snortland and Elaina Verveer, and Intern Arielle Powers.

Committee Minutes

A motion was made by Jasjit Mangat and seconded by Emily Gardner to approve the minutes of the Committee Meeting of February 15, 2012 as written. The motion was passed unanimously.

Scheduled Items

Several representatives from Centaurus High School's Public Achievement (PA) program met with the Lafayette Youth Advisory Committee to seek support for proposed spring PA projects.

Representing a PA group focusing on global warming, Centaurus sophomores Sarhira Salgado and Melanie Torres discussed their proposal to coordinate a campaign to ban plastic bags in Lafayette. In addition to advising them to research actions taken by other municipalities, Committee Members suggested that they contact local business owners and others who would be directly impacted by a plastic bag ban. The Committee agreed to research the issue as well as help distribute surveys and petitions. Students and Committee Members will reconvene at the end of the school year to identify subsequent actions.

Centaurus freshmen Fernando Cerceda, Xing He, Christian Pinon, Richard Schaub, and Aaron Wilkins-Crowder and University of Colorado students Marvin Coughenour and Ace Eckstein discussed plans to host a conversation with the Lafayette Police Department as a means to both discuss the juvenile loitering policy and build community between the police and local teens. The Committee agreed to both help distribute student surveys and coordinate the proposed discussion with the police.

Centaurus seniors Chris Callahan, Angela Corder, and Toni Perez discussed plans to coordinate a march and rally to raise awareness about domestic violence on Saturday, April 21 from 1:30 -2:30 p.m. in conjunction with Global Youth Service Day. The Committee agreed to co-sponsor the event and oversee logistics for the march.

Co-Chair Lauren Jones and Committee Members Jessica Lawson and Jasjit Mangat shared outcomes from their presentation to the City Council on March 5, when they both reviewed the budget and highlights from Lafayette's seventh annual Martin Luther King, Jr. March for Peace and Celebration, and discussed preliminary plans for Lafayette's eighth annual "Seeds of Justice" March and Rally, which the Lafayette Youth Advisory Committee will continue to coordinate.

Planned in conjunction with Lafayette's 2012 Cesar Chavez Celebration, the "Seeds of Justice" March and Rally will take place on Friday, April 6. Prior to the march, the Lafayette Youth Advisory Committee will co-host a community birthday celebration honoring Cesar Chavez at Pioneer Elementary School. Geared toward elementary school students, the birthday celebration will feature several art and educational activities. The rally, which will be held at LaMont Does Park will be followed by a community soccer game. To prepare for the event, Committee Members formed sub-committees and reviewed the event budget.

A motion was made by Sammy Secrist and seconded by Emma Piller to allocate $772 in Lafayette Youth Advisory Committee funding to cover expenses associated with annual Cesar Chavez activities. The motion was passed unanimously.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Jessica Lawson and seconded by Emma Piller to adjourn the Committee Meeting on March 7 at 7:40 p.m. The motion was passed unanimously.

CITY OF LAFAYETTE

Lafayette Youth Advisory Committee AmeriCorps Meeting

March 7, 2012

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Call to Order/Roll Call

Co-Chair Sammy Secrist called the March 7 meeting to order at 7:43 pm in the Nyland Room at the Lafayette Recreation Center, 111 W. Baseline Road, Lafayette, Colorado. The following Committee Members were present: Wyatt Clarke, Jacob Ettinger, Emily Gardner, Lauren Jones, Paige Jones, Jessica Lawson, and Gabi Weldon. Also present were Councilor Christine Berg, Advisory Member Elaina Verveer, and Intern Arielle Powers.

Scheduled Items

Project YES Executive Director Stephany Precourt invited AmeriCorps members to both support the organization's annual "SeLebration" event and plan the grand opening of the organization's new youth center. Planned in conjunction with Global Youth Service Day, SeLebration will be held on April 21 and include several service activities and an afternoon celebration. The grand opening of the Project YES youth center will take place on April 12 from 5:00-8:00 p.m. The event will feature art projects and exhibits, food, and entertainment. Lafayette Youth Advisory Committee Members, who are completing

an AmeriCorps term of service, will develop an event flyer, recruit peers, and facilitate projects and activities.

Members completed AmeriCorps hours logs, and reviewed upcoming events.

Adjournment

The AmeriCorps Meeting adjourned at 8:31 p.m.