

City of Coral Gables

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Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, February 1, 2023

6:30 PM

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88544224443>

Youth Center, Conference Room

Parks and Recreation Youth Advisory Board

Chairperson Natalie Gonzalez
Vice Chairperson Nicole Schneider
Board Member Eduardo Garcia
Board Member Isabella Gonzalez
Board Member Angelica Santeliz
Board Member Heidi Santeliz
Board Member Alexa Tapanes

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting began at 6:30pm

ROLL CALL

a. Roll Call and Excusal of Absences

A MOTION TO EXCUSE ANGELICA SANTELIZ ABSENCE WAS MADE BY EDUARDO GARCIA AND SECOND BY ISABELA GONZALEZ. ALL IN FAVOR; MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Present: 6 - Board Member Santeliz, Board Member Tapanes, Board Member Schneider, Board Member Gonzalez, Board Member Gonzalez and Board Member Garcia

Excused: 1 - Board Member Santeliz

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

a. Approval of January Meeting Minutes

A MOTION TO APPROVE THE JANUARY MINUTES WAS MADE BY ALEXA TAPANES AND SECOND BY NICOLE SCHNEIDER. ALL IN FAVOR; MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

Youth Center Supervisor Carlos Pichardo began his report by going over spring athletics which included Blue Devils baseball and recreation basketball. Carlos also went over the upcoming Daddy Daughter Dance and it's Beauty and the Beast theme.

Carlos then informed the Board about monthly tournaments and activities that the center is trying to host free of charge to activate the teen demographic at the center and the toddler ages demographic. The first activity they are holding is pickup basketball in the gym. Carlos asked for feedback from the Board to see what sports or activities they would like to see at the center.

Board members shared interest in spike ball, pickleball, video editing or music mixing classes. They also suggested that the department host a Super Bowl watch party. Staff and board members briefly went over logistic needs and wants. Board Chair Natalie Gonzalez also mentioned teen fitness classes. Board member Eduardo Garcia brought up a clothes sharing event. Staff asked that he let us know where we could see this type of event as reference and to see if logistically could work at the center.

Carlos took notes and asked that the board think about it more and present any additional ideas at the next meeting.

The Board asked if there will be an Easter egg hunt at the Youth Center. Staff shared that we will be bringing back the egg hunts and will be discontinuing Visit from the Easter Bunny at this time. If the board would like to help volunteer for this event, we can provide community service hours. The event will take place on Saturday, April 8th, 2023.

Other upcoming events include the Family Literacy Festival on May 20th and the Memorial Day Ceremony on May 29th. Both events will be at the Youth Center. Administrative Supervisor Sarah Espino went over some of the highlights of the literacy event.

Administrative Supervisor Sarah Espino shared that there will be the Pierce Park ribbon cutting on February 11th, 2023 at 3pm and the board is invited to attend.

NEW BUSINESS

OLD BUSINESS

DISCUSSION ITEMS

ITEMS FROM THE SECRETARY

The meeting for the next date will be March 1, 2023 at 6pm.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 7:04pm

NOTE