

**YOUTH ADVISORY BOARD**  
 Minutes of September 1, 2009 meeting  
 Coral Gables Youth Center

<b>MEMBERS</b>	<b>S</b>	<b>O</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>J</b>	<b>J</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>APPOINTED BY</b>
Margaret Cookson	P												Mayor Slesnick
Ramon Diaz	P												Vice-Mayor Kerdyk
Emily Martinez-Lanza	P												Commissioner Anderson
Alexandra Morales	P												Commissioner Cabrera
Kyle Parker	P												Commissioner Withers
Bria Dewberry	A												City Manager Maria Jimenez
Vacant	P												Recreation Advisory Board

A = Absent

C = Cancelled

E = Excused absence

P = Present

N = No quorum

R = Recessed

S = Sick

**STAFF:**

Luanne Santangelo  
 Assistant Parks and Recreation Director

**GUESTS:**

Roxana Gonzalez  
 Youth Center Supervisor

1. Meeting Called to Order – Meeting called to order at 6:34 pm.
2. Staff Liaison, Luanne Santangelo welcomed the members of the Board to their position as a Youth Advisory Board representative.
3. New Business
  - a. Nomination of Board Chair – Margaret Cookson moved to nominate Emily Martinez-Lanza as the Board Chair. Seconded by Kyle Parker. Unanimously approved by the Board.
  - b. Nomination of Board Vice-Chair – Margaret Cookson moved to nominate Kyle Parker as the Board Vice-Chair. Seconded by Alexandra Morales. Unanimously approved by the Board.
  - c. Board Minutes – The minutes of the May 12, 2009 meeting were approved by the Board. Motion to approve by Kyle Parker; second by Margaret Cookson. Minutes approved unanimously by the Board.

- d. Board Training – Information was distributed to the Board regarding the upcoming City sponsored Board Training seminar being held on Friday, October 2, 2009. Board members were told that the City would provide a letter to their school verifying their attendance. (for an excused absence)
- f. Information provided by Mayor Slesnick was distributed to the Board.

4. Old Business

- a. Attendance Rules – Luanne Santangelo reviewed the rules established by the Board for an excused absence. Board members are excused from attendance at meetings if there is a legitimate school function that they must attend as part of an athletic team or school sponsored club. This does not include school events that are optional and do not require their attendance (attending athletic event as a spectator).
- b. Board Goals – The goals established by the Board at the meeting of May 2009 were reviewed.
- c. Playful City USA – The Board discussed the Playful City event. The Board will meet on September 22, 2009 to specifically discuss/plan the Play Day.
- d. Board Annual Report – due in October of 2009. Board Chair and Vice Chair will contact Leigh Peabody-Cooper for information for the Annual Report. A draft of the report will be presented at the next meeting of September 22, 2009.

5. Date and time of next meeting –The next meeting of the Youth Advisory Board will be held on Tuesday, September 22, 2009 at 6:30 PM in the Conference Room of the Youth Center.

6. Adjournment - The meeting adjourned at 7:34 p.m.