



**City and County of San Francisco  
YOUTH COMMISSION  
Executive Committee**

**MINUTES**

**Wednesday, May 24, 2023  
5:00 p.m.**

**IN-PERSON MEETING with REMOTE ACCESS**

**Members:** Emily Nguyen (Chair, D11), Ewan Barker Plummer (Vice Chair, Mayoral), Steven Hum (Legislative Affairs Officer, Mayoral), Raven Shaw (Legislative Affairs Officer, Mayoral), Gabrielle Listana (Communications & Outreach Officer, D6), Astrid Utting (Communications & Outreach Officer, D8).

**Present:** Emily Nguyen, Ewan Barker Plummer, Raven Shaw, Steven Hum, Gabbie Listana, Astrid Utting.

**Absent:** None.

**Tardy:** None.

The San Francisco Youth Commission's Executive Committee met in-person with remote access for public comment, on May 24, 2023, with Vice Chair Barker Plummer presiding.

**1. Call to Order and Roll Call for Attendance**

Vice Chair Barker Plummer called the meeting to order at 5:08pm.

On the call of the roll:

Roll Call Attendance: 6 present.

Raven Shaw present  
Gabrielle Listana present  
Astrid Utting present  
Steven Hum present  
Emily Nguyen present



Ewan Barker Plummer present

A quorum of the Executive Committee is present.

## **2. Communications**

Alondra Esquivel Garcia, Director of the SFYC, shared communications and meeting announcements with Commissioners.

## **3. Approval of Agenda (Action Item)**

Officer Listana, seconded by Chair Nguyen, motioned to approve the May 24, 2023 Executive Committee meeting agenda. No public comment. The motion carried by voice vote:

Voice Vote: 6 ayes.

Raven Shaw aye  
Gabrielle Listana aye  
Astrid Utting aye  
Steven Hum aye  
Emily Nguyen aye  
Ewan Barker Plummer aye

Action: agenda approved.

## **4. Approval of Minutes (Action Item)**

### **a. May 12, 2023 (Packet Materials)**

Chair Nguyen, seconded by Officer Hum, motioned to approve the May 12, 2023 Executive Committee meeting minutes. No public comment. The motion carried by voice vote:

Voice Vote: 6 ayes.

Raven Shaw aye  
Gabrielle Listana aye  
Astrid Utting aye  
Steven Hum aye  
Emily Nguyen aye  
Ewan Barker Plummer aye



Action: minutes approved.

b. Discussion and Debrief of May 15, 2023 full Youth Commission meetings.

Vice Chair Barker Plummer reminded the Committee of what agenda items were on the agenda for the May 15th full Youth Commission meeting, and was glad that the public comment and commissioner discussion that took place during the hearing. Chair Nguyen agrees that it went well and thought the presenters were very responsive to the questions and concerns of the Commissioners, and asked what the follow up could look like.

Vice Chair Barker Plummer said that he and Officer Utting will try to meet with staff to figure out next steps, which could include creating a coalition and putting together a concrete ask. Officer Utting agreed with everything. Chair Nguyen wants to know what they would urge for since they already have written a BPP on this issue, to which Officer Utting said they can write a resolution to continue pushing for it. Vice Chair Barker Plummer said that it looks like the gun storage safety information being sent out to SFUSD families will be taking place, and that some of the issues are awaiting the bond that is likely to be on the ballot in 2024.

Officer Utting added that now that SFUSD and SFPD have laid out their plans in the public record, that they can continue pushing for a timeline and keep them accountable to the plan they have presented. Chair Nguyen responded that the issue remains to see how students feel about these changes and the MOU between SFUSD and SFPD, to which Officer Utting said that they're not actively pursuing police presence at school campuses. Chair Nguyen clarified that they should look into the differences and changes in safety response before and after the MOU. Vice Chair Barker Plummer said that there should be a more solidified relationship between SFUSD and SFPD to ensure that schools are safe, but that there's seemingly no appetite for reviving the MOU or SRO program. Officer Hum agreed that there should be something on paper, and that the sentiment on the SAC (SFUSD Student Advisory Council) was for there to be an understanding of how each party would participate in an emergency situation. Vice Chair Barker Plummer said that there should be an urging to have a dialogue in next steps.

Chair Nguyen said that she appreciated that the hearing was the dedicated focus of the entire Youth Commission meeting, and that the YC should follow that as a standard moving forward.

**5. Public Comment on matters not on Today's Agenda (2 minutes per comment)**



No public comment.

**6. Business** (all items to follow discussion & possible action)

a. Review Commission Attendance

Director Garcia reported back that she sent an email to Executive Committee members, and updated the Committee on the absences that have been cleared from the beginning of the term, as highlighted in the Youth Commission's bylaws attendance policy. Director Garcia added that Commissioner Im has been put into the Transformative Justice Committee, and that Commissioner Mirza will be selecting a committee soon.

b. Updates on Commission Outreach and Communications

i. Presenters: Gabrielle Listana & Astrid Utting, Communication and Outreach Officers

Officer Listana reported that they will be working on social media graphics to share online. Officer Utting reported that they're putting together "A Day on the Youth Commission" social media outreach effort, and she tabled with Vice Chair Barker Plummer in an outreach effort recently. She also added that several Commissioners and YC staff visited Alvarado Elementary school last week to meet with a 3rd grade class.

Specialist Ochoa said that staff and future Youth Commissioners will have the opportunity to present to more schools and have more pictures to share in the following SFYC cohort. Staff also said that they would help figure out the transportation aspect of visiting schools in advance, and that we'd plan for a more scheduled process to present to classrooms. Director Garcia added that staff would take a more direct effort to get in contact with educators and school leaders.

Chair Nguyen asked for updates on tabling for Sunday Streets for this year, and staff said there wasn't enough commitment for the May 2023 Sunday Streets event in the Bayview, but that there might be a possibility for July, September, and October dates to commit. Vice Chair Barker Plummer added that they should look into what events to participate in during SF Pride. Director Garcia said that staff can ask some elected officials if they're able to accept Commissioners to march with them.

c. Updates on Recent Youth-Related Board of Supervisors/Mayor Legislation



i. Presenters: Steven Hum & Raven Shaw, Legislative Affairs Officers

Officer Hum reported back that he looked through the legislation that had been introduced, and that there was no new legislation that would fall under the list of legislative priorities for the Youth Commission. Vice Chair Barker Plummer asked if the legislation regarding the expansion of Outside Lands can be referred.

Director Garcia added that she's been in contact with State Senator Weiner's office to potentially discuss legislative proposals with the Youth Commission, and that could happen once the state's legislative session ends during the summer. Vice Chair Barker Plummer said he thinks that would be a great idea and there should definitely be put on the books.

d. Youth Commission Open House Recap

Officer Utting said that the open house went well and there was good turnout to the event. She added that she hopes all of the attendees apply. Officer Listana agreed and apologized for leaving a little early.

Vice Chair Barker Plummer also thought it went really well and that the Comms Officers did a great job presenting and answering questions. He also said that the YC should definitely start earlier like Specialist Ochoa said.

e. Recruitment

Specialist Ochoa said that there are currently 17 applicants for the 2023/2024 Youth Commission, and that there were about 5 applicants at the same point in last year's recruitment efforts. He added that the YC is also receiving more applications from public schools and spread more evenly throughout the districts, but that there are likely going to be many more applications to come in this upcoming weekend before the application deadline.

f. Basic Needs Conversation

Director Garcia discussed the need for some immediate resources and services to refer and distribute to youth who visit the Youth Commission office, since there were two unhoused youth who visited and staff would like to have that information to provide. Staff have also been in discussion with some community organizations that can help give us information to help support marginalized and at-risk youth.



Vice Chair Barker Plummer said that the YC can help put together some lists of resources and services for at-risk youth who visit the office, and can partner with community organizations to spread awareness. Chair Nguyen said that they should focus on redirecting at-risk youth who need help to direct services and programs that can help them, since the Youth Commission does not have the capacity to do that.

g. Approval of Full YC June 5, 2023 Agenda

Vice Chair Barker Plummer said that staff are recommending one amendment to include an agenda item for Commissioners' letters of absence. Officer Listana also said that Banko Brown's name was misspelled. Director Garcia said that the Letters of Absences can be included under "Letters and Statements", with all of the names of commissioners who are submitting letters (Shaw; Im; Hum; Colin).

Officer Utting, seconded by Chair Nguyen, motioned to approve the June 5, 2023 full Youth Commission meeting agenda, with the amendment to add Letters of Absence and correct the grammatical error. No public comment. The motion carried by voice vote:

Voice Vote: 6 ayes.

Raven Shaw aye  
Gabrielle Listana aye  
Astrid Utting aye  
Steven Hum aye  
Emily Nguyen aye  
Ewan Barker Plummer aye

Action: June 5, 2023 FYC agenda approved.

## 7. Adjournment

There being no further business on the agenda, the Youth Commission's Executive Committee adjourned at 6:02pm.