



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

MINUTES

**Wednesday, April 16, 2025
5:00 pm**

**IN-PERSON MEETING
City Hall, Room 278
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place,
San Francisco, CA 94102**

Members: Gabbie Listana (Vice Chair, D6), Jason Fong (Chair, MYR), Winnie Liao (Comms Officer, D3), Emily Yang (Comms Officer, MYR), Lucas Liang (Leg Affairs Officer, D4), Jin Valencia-Tow (Leg Affairs Officer, D7).

Present: Gabbie Listana, Winnie Liao, Emily Yang, Jin Valencia-Tow.

Absent: Jason Fong (Excused), Lucas Liang (Excused).

Tardy: None.

The San Francisco Youth Commission's Executive Committee met in-person with remote viewing on April 16, 2025, with Vice Chair Listana presiding.

1. Call to Order and Roll Call for Attendance

Vice Chair Listana called the meeting to order at 5:06 pm

On the call of the roll:

Roll Call Attendance: 4 present, 2 absent.

Jason Fong (MYR) - absent
Winnie Liao (D3) - present
Emily Yang (MYR) - present
Lucas Liang (D4) - absent
Jin Valencia-Tow (D7) - present
Gabbie Listana (D6) - present

A quorum of the Commission was present.

Officer Valencia-Tow, seconded by Officer Liao, motioned to excuse Commissioners' Fong and Liang. No discussion. No public comment. The motion was carried by the following voice vote:

Voice Vote: 4 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent

Jason Fong (MYR) - absent
Winnie Liao (D3) - aye
Emily Yang (MYR) - aye
Lucas Liang (D4) - absent
Jin Valencia-Tow (D7) - aye
Gabbie Listana (D6) - aye

Action: Commissioners' Fong and Liang absences excused.

2. Communications

Joy Zhan, Staff of the SFYC, shared communications and meeting announcements with Commissioners.

3. Approval of Agenda (Action Item)

Officer Valencia-Tow, seconded by Officer Yang, motioned to approve the April 16, 2025 full Youth Commission meeting agenda. No discussion. No public comment. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Voice Vote: 4 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent

Jason Fong (MYR) - absent
Winnie Liao (D3) - aye
Emily Yang (MYR) - aye
Lucas Liang (D4) - absent
Jin Valencia-Tow (D7) - aye
Gabbie Listana (D6) - aye

Action: Agenda Approved.

4. Approval of Minutes (Action Item)

- a. March 12, 2025 (Packet Materials)

Officer Valencia-Tow, seconded by Officer Yang, motioned to approve the March 12, 2025 full Youth Commission meeting minutes. No discussion. No public comment. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Voice Vote: 4 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent

Jason Fong (MYR) - absent
Winnie Liao (D3) - aye
Emily Yang (MYR) - aye
Lucas Liang (D4) - absent
Jin Valencia-Tow (D7) - aye
Gabbie Listana (D6) - aye

Action: Minutes Approved.

b. Discussion and Debrief of April 7, 2025 full Youth Commission meeting

Commissioner's discussed the April 7th meeting. Officer Yang was excited to see several motions and resolutions. Vice Chair Listana wants to figure out better ways to keep Commissioner's engaged. Officer Valencia-Tow asked how we can further motions and resolutions passed at the full Youth Commission meetings.

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

No public comment.

6. Committee Business (all items to follow are discussion and possible action)

a. Community Builder / Icebreaker

Vice Chair Listana did not have a question to ask the body.

b. Review Commission Attendance

Youth Commission Staff went over the current attendance of the commission

c. Updates on Commission Outreach and Communications

i. Presenters: Winnie Liao & Emily Yang, Comms & Outreach Officers

Comms & Outreach Officers spoke about the communication plans for social media posting in the next couple of weeks and about the recruitment process.

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

i. Presenters: Lucas Liang & Jin Valencia-Tow, Legislative Affairs Officers

Legislative Affairs Officers spoke about legislation that was referred to the commission.

e. BOS File No. 250305 - Hearing - Student Success Fund Status and Implementation

The Executive Committee spoke about the hearing on the Student Success Fund. They spoke about the following questions to send over:

Can schools apply for grants for performing and visual arts programs?

Why is there a lack of consistency when it comes to submitting individual grant proposals and who helps with the submission of those grant proposals?

What happens when a school doesn't expense their full grant? Does this impact their grant from increasing for the next year?

How is the SSF working group measuring the success of schools in the latest report? Are there any frameworks that are used for the annual audit?

Does student attendance and truancy affect the grant making for schools to apply for SSF?

Why is DCYF hiring consultants to train Community Schools Coordinators?

Are there metrics to measure the effectiveness of Community School Coordinators?

Youth Commission Staff mentioned they would send over the memo with questions discussed at the meeting to the Clerk's Office.

f. Bylaws Conversation

Youth Commission Staff Zhan told the commissioners to look out for an email from Youth Commission Staff Ochoa and to look over the Bylaws. There was a short discussion regarding the attendance policy.

g. Budget and Policy Priorities - Advocacy Update

Director Esquivel Garcia and Youth Commission Staff Zhan spoke about next steps for advocacy on the Budget and Policy Priorities.

Officer Valencia-Tow walked out at 5:50 pm. Officer Valencia-Tow came back into the room at 5:53 pm.

- h. Approval of Full Youth Commission Agenda
 - i. May 5, 2025

Director Esquivel Garcia discussed the at May 5 agenda is not ready to be reviewed.

Officer Valencia-Tow, seconded by Officer Liao, motioned to table Item 6h. No discussion. No public comment. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Voice Vote: 4 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent

Jason Fong (Mayoral) - absent
Winnie Liao (D3) - aye
Emily Yang (Mayoral) - aye
Lucas Liang (D4) - absent
Jin Valencia-Tow (D7) - aye
Gabbie Listana (D6) - aye

Action: Item 6h was tabled.

7. Announcements (this includes Community Events)

No announcements.

8. Adjournment

There being no further business on the agenda, the full Youth Commission adjourned at 6:00 pm.

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