



# **San Francisco Youth Commission**

## **Minutes ~ Draft**

**Monday, July 6th, 2020**

**5:00 pm-8:00 pm**

### **Public Comment Call-in:**

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*There will be public comment on each item.*

Sarah Cheung, Valentina Alioto-Pier, Maggie Dong, Josephine Cureton, Calvin Quick, Khatab Alameri, Crystal Chan, JoJo Ty, Ariana Arana, Rome Jones, Amara Santos, Arianna Nassiri, Nora Hylton, Stephen “Rocky” Versace, Arsema Asfaw, Alexander Hirji, Sarah Ginsburg

#### **1. Call to Order and Roll Call for Attendance (Discussion and Possible Action)**

Chair Cureton calls the meeting to order at 5:02 PM. We have quorum.

Sarah Cheung - present  
Valentina Alioto-Pier - present  
Maggie Dong - present  
Josephine Cureton - present  
Calvin Quick - present  
Khatab Alameri - present  
Crystal Chan - present  
JoJo Ty - present  
Ariana Arana - present  
Rome Jones - present  
Amara Santos - present  
Arianna Nassiri - absent  
Nora Hylton - present  
Stephen “Rocky” Versace -present  
Arsema Asfaw - present  
Alexander Hirji - present  
Sarah Ginsburg - absent



Vice Chair Sarah Chueng and Chair Josephine Cureton will call recess by item 7A to acknowledge long meeting time and need to take care of self.

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

No public comment. Commissioner Quick motioned to approve of agenda, seconded by Commissioner Hirji. By roll call vote, the motion passes with 15 aye, 2 not present.

Sarah Cheung - aye  
Valentina Alioto-Pier - aye  
Maggie Dong - aye  
Josephine Cureton - aye  
Calvin Quick - aye  
Khatab Alameri - aye  
Crystal Chan - aye  
JoJo Ty - aye  
Ariana Arana - aye  
Rome Jones - aye  
Amara Santos - aye  
Arianna Nassiri - not present  
Nora Hylton - aye  
Stephen "Rocky" Versace - aye  
Arsema Asfaw - aye  
Alexander Hirji - aye  
Sarah Ginsburg - not present (staff mistakenly said she did not give advanced notice but she did)

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

A. June 15th, 2020  
[\(Document A\)](#)

No public comment. Commissioner Alameri motioned to approve of June 15th, 2020 minutes, seconded by Commissioner Versace. By roll call vote, the motion passes by 15 ayes, 2 absent.

Sarah Cheung - aye  
Valentina Alioto-Pier - aye  
Maggie Dong - aye  
Josephine Cureton - aye  
Calvin Quick - aye  
Khatab Alameri - aye  
Crystal Chan - aye  
JoJo Ty - aye  
Ariana Arana - aye  
Rome Jones - aye  
Amara Santos - aye



Arianna Nassiri - absent  
Nora Hylton - aye  
Stephen "Rocky" Versace - aye  
Arsema Asfaw - aye  
Alexander Hirji - aye  
Sarah Ginsburg - absent

**4. Public Comment on Items not on Agenda (2 minutes per public comment)**

No public comment.

**5. Legislation Referred from the Board of Supervisors (All Items to Follow Discussion and Possible Action)**

A. [Input + Decision] BOS File No. 200682 [Urging the Department of Children, Youth and Their Families to Require All Funded Organizations to Have a Youth on Their Board of Directors By 2023]

Sponsor: Supervisor Walton

Presenter: Natalie Gee, Legislative Aide, District 10  
(Document B)

Natalie Gee, Legislative Aide, Chief of Staff, District 10:

all funded organizations to have youth on the BOD, youth voice on leadership team and provide direction for organization. Met with Maria Su (DCYF). Timeline 2023 to recruit train and provide leadership

Discussion:

Commissioner Quick: FOR PROGRAMS currently contracted with DCYF - where is cycle right now for open up for RFP - part of that process and links up with no services cut short.

Natalie G: July 1st - June 30th, would not affect any programs funded right now - but by 2022 - it will affect and to be part of capacity thinking to have youth on BOS

Commissioner Santos: well needed and recommendation, is there conversation about stipends for youth to get paid to be part of this.

Natalie G: dpd on organization and own budget - stipend for BOD, who reaches out to us in the office for those conversations

Commissioner Chueng: what is the impact when so many of these orgs have high staff turnover rate?

Commissioner Cureton: currently funded, youth board members? success stories? to keep and train and compensate youth

Natalie G: check with Director Su for board members

Commissioner Jones: does DCYF - have youth board members?

Natalie G: youth empowerment fund, are it I believe



Commissioner Cureton: 2 /3 youth seats sit in the advisory board / oversight and advisory committee

Staff Hosmon: they do get paid and stipend 3 year term limit

Commissioner Santos: wording and disclosing to try to emphasize orgs in economic stipends

Commissioner Quick: MOTION to support with the recommendation that if financially possible that youth orgs provide stipend to this youth and training for youth but DCYF

Commissioner Jones: DCYF give programs money - couldn't DCYF tells programs to put it in their ask for money to pay a youth board member.

Staff: yes.

No public comment.

Commissioner Quick motions to support this resolution with the two following recommendations:

1. DCYF to highly encourage youth stipends to be included in the budget asks from organizations during the RFQ process, 2. cultural competency training to be required in these organizations, seconded by Commissioner Alameri.

The motion passes by roll call vote with 15 ayes and 2 absent.

Sarah Cheung - aye

Valentina Alioto-Pier - aye

Maggie Dong - aye

Josephine Cureton - aye

Calvin Quick - aye

Khatab Alameri - aye

Crystal Chan - aye

JoJo Ty - aye

Ariana Arana - aye

Rome Jones - aye

Amara Santos - aye

Arianna Nassiri - absent

Nora Hylton - aye

Stephen "Rocky" Versace - aye

Arsema Asfaw - aye

Alexander Hirji - aye

Sarah Ginsburg - absent

## **6. Presentations (All Items to Follow Discussion and Possible Action)**

A. [Inform + Decision] NICOS Chinese Health Coalition - GOT GAME (Going Overtime - Gaming and Media-Use Education)

Presenter: Tiffany Wang, Health Educator & Michael S. Liao, Director of Programs (Document C)



Presentation:

As Crystal mentioned, we recently launched a new project called GOT GAME (Going Overtime - Gaming and Media-Use Education), which aims to raise awareness and prevent video game addiction among youth through educational workshops.

NICOS' new project GOT GAME (Going Overtime - Gaming and Media-Use Education), which is a free, interactive, educational workshop to raise awareness and prevent video game addiction among youth.

Findings from study shows that API are susceptible to gaming addiction and how it correlates to gambling addiction.

Strategies: denormalize gaming, highlight exploitation of gaming industry - reward, harm reduction, advisory panel to guide GOT GAME (adding discussion of funding)  
- referring, data collection

Discussion:

Commissioner Chueng: asks - outreaching to get youth in the advisory board?

ML: to promote & recruit to join the youth panel, cohost - cosponsor community wide presentations or educational efforts, help connect or provide linkages to orgs and groups in different district from such educational resources

Commissioner Cureton: falls on personal responsibility and comms team,

Commissioner Chan: thanks for presenting - cohosting a workshop, personally doing that if I help cohost to have commissioners put us in contact, motion to support I can take on that responsibility

No public comment.

Commissioner Cureton, seconded by Commissioner Santos, motions to support Nico's 3 asks.

1) promote and recruit youth to the youth panel 2) cohost/co sponsor community wide presentations/education efforts 3) provide linkages to groups and organizations in different districts to promote their educational efforts.

By roll call vote, 15 ayes and 2 absent - the motion passes.

Sarah Cheung - aye

Valentina Alioto-Pier - aye

Maggie Dong - aye

Josephine Cureton - aye

Calvin Quick - aye

Khatab Alameri - aye

Crystal Chan - aye

JoJo Ty - aye

Ariana Arana - aye

Rome Jones - aye

Amara Santos - aye



Arianna Nassiri - absent  
Nora Hylton - aye  
Stephen "Rocky" Versace - aye  
Arsema Asfaw - aye  
Alexander Hirji - aye  
Sarah Ginsburg - absent

## **7. Youth Commission Business (All Items to Follow Discussion and Possible Action)**

- A. [Inform + Decision] Proposed 2019-2020 Youth Commission Bylaw Amendment Regarding Required Trainings, Absences, and Formalizing the Youth Commission's Commitment to Equity and Justice  
Sponsor: Commissioner Asfaw, Santos  
(Document D)

Commissioner Santos reads the bylaw amendments in to the record.

Discussion:

Commissioner Versace: mechanism to let people know.

Commissioner Santos: this is just about baseline excuse

Commissioner Quick: admin - support all three of the amendments, proposed amendments to Article IV not Article VI, as that's attendance not committees  
Commissioner Cureton: after committee attendance section 3.

Commissioner Chueng: support all 3 amendments, question for amendment 1 - one training or multiple trainings

Commissioner Asfaw: dpd on staff discretion

Commissioner Quick: training (s) as a slight addition

Commissioner Cureton: full support all three of amendment - for the proposed amendment number 2 - capitalize Youth Commissioner. Question of language on number 2 - but to be disclosed to commissioner and staff - is it for notification for who

Commissioner Asfaw: will edit

Commissioner Quick: can you formally state EC bc we review attendance anyway

Reminder. Bylaw amendments get one reading. Nonsubstantive changes, 1 reading only.

No public comment.

Commissioner Quick, seconded by Commissioner Asfaw, motions to approve with the minor changes as set

1. Proposed Amendment 1:
  - a. Add under Section C to Article IV.
  - b. Training (s)
2. Proposed Amendment 2:
  - a. Capitalize Youth Commissioner



- b. same language for notification - "Executive Committee and Youth Commission Staff"

Motion passes by roll call vote - 15 ayes, 2 absent.

Sarah Cheung - aye  
Valentina Alioto-Pier - aye  
Maggie Dong - aye  
Josephine Cureton - aye  
Calvin Quick - aye  
Khatab Alameri - aye  
Crystal Chan - aye  
JoJo Ty - aye  
Ariana Arana - aye  
Rome Jones - aye  
Amara Santos - aye  
Arianna Nassiri - absent  
Nora Hylton - aye  
Stephen "Rocky" Versace - aye  
Arsema Asfaw - aye  
Alexander Hirji - aye  
Sarah Ginsburg - absent

Three minute recess. Meeting called back to order at 6:03 PM.

- B. [First Reading] Resolution No.1920-AL-13 [Urging the Defunding of San Francisco Police Department and Investment in Community Health and Safety]  
Sponsors: Commissioners Asfaw, Santos  
(Document E)

Commissioner Asfaw reads the resolution to the record.

Trigger warning - statistics on sanctioned police violence - step out and take a break.

Discussion:

Commissioner Dong: PROP C - 4000 housing units instead of 4,000 houses on page 6 line 25

Commissioner Versace: page 1, 20 - 23, resolved clauses - on homelessness and stick out on defunding and putting them in resolution - not mentioned after that.

Commissioner Asfaw: for Prop C - housing units, and referring to quality of life crimes, how does it relate to young people and survival crimes,

Commissioner Santos: housing instability and harassment from police - suspicious behavior and microaggressive behavior with law enforcement, vulnerable population that's been intimidated - equitable housing to relate on why

Commissioner Chueng: page 6, 4 - 10, how did you get that percentage?

Commissioner Santos: 6.2 - 8.8% - did own math given fiscal year of SFPD



No public comment.

Commissioner Cureton, seconded by Commissioner Quick, motions to suspend Article 9 Section C of the bylaws to pass this resolution on a first reading. Motion passes by roll call vote - 15 ayes, 2 absent.

Sarah Cheung - aye  
Valentina Alioto-Pier - aye  
Maggie Dong - aye  
Josephine Cureton - aye  
Calvin Quick - aye  
Khatab Alameri - aye  
Crystal Chan - aye  
JoJo Ty - aye  
Ariana Arana - aye  
Rome Jones - aye  
Amara Santos - aye  
Arianna Nassiri - absent  
Nora Hylton - aye  
Stephen "Rocky" Versace - aye  
Arsema Asfaw - aye  
Alexander Hirji - aye  
Sarah Ginsburg - absent

Commissioner Asfaw, seconded by Commissioner Arana, motions to approve this resolution. Motion passes by roll call vote - 15 ayes, 2 absent.

Sarah Cheung - aye  
Valentina Alioto-Pier - aye  
Maggie Dong - aye  
Josephine Cureton - aye  
Calvin Quick - aye  
Khatab Alameri - aye  
Crystal Chan - aye  
JoJo Ty - aye  
Ariana Arana - aye  
Rome Jones - aye  
Amara Santos - aye  
Arianna Nassiri - absent  
Nora Hylton - aye  
Stephen "Rocky" Versace - aye  
Arsema Asfaw - aye  
Alexander Hirji - aye  
Sarah Ginsburg - absent

C. [First Reading] Resolution No.1920-AL-14 [Free Muni For All] Transportation Equity  
Sponsors: Commissioners Quick, Hirji





(Document F)

Commissioner Quick debriefs on rationale, to make clear we have our stance for Free Muni For All, which is to reiterate what we suggested in meeting with Director Jeff Tumlin. Most recently, the expansion of the Free Muni for Youth program to all of San Francisco's children and young adults has been put on hold, a casualty of the budget crisis now faced by the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency.

Commissioner Hirji reads the resolution into record.

Discussion:

Commissioner Versace: diversification of funding? are we asking MTA to figure it out?

Commissioner Hirji: some proposals (bonds, taxes, national legislation in House of Rep - for free transit for all) but as a general is a deeper analysis needs to be considered about how SFMTA is resourced.

Commissioner Cureton: timeline or normal process?

Commissioner Hirji: could pass at next meeting - does not need to suspend bylaws

Commissioner Santos: page 1, line 14 - 15, being able to specify why it's not widely known - inaccessibly for LEP, sharing of resources for BIPOC, Commissioner Ty & Asfaw when we did our resolution, SFMTA officers giving resources than punishment, bureaucratic process - specify more on page 2 - underserved populations -

Commissioner Quick: work on page 1 and expand more on specifics, but will refer back to previous resolution covered on fare evasions than anything

No action was taken on this item.

D. [First Reading] Resolution No. 1920-AL-15 [Urging the City and County of San Francisco to support Survivors of Sexual Harassment and Assault]

Sponsors: Commissioners Cureton, Cheung, and Chan

(Document G)

Commissioner Cureton gave a trigger warning. Commissioner Chan read the resolution into the record.

Discussion:

Commissioner Santos: Thanks for getting this written and read onto the record

Commissioner Cureton: shout out and appreciations for staff, Commissioner Santos, Commissioner Quick and cosponsors.

No action was taken on this item.

## **8. Committee Reports (Discussion Only)**

a. Executive Committee

a. LAO

i. hearing re: sfpd budget and bla on current staffing



- ii. Charter amendment initiative re: police officers and minimum numbers for hiring (President Yee is sponsor of this). To be heard in Rules Cmte this Thursday
- b. Comms
  - i. Focus on Radical Book Club, first meeting this past Friday which focused on pride month and July 4th discussions. Safe space for learning from each other and helps to acknowledge personal biases, heal/grow
  - ii. West Side support for virtual info gathering/budget outreach
- b. General Committee Updates
  - a. EXEC
    - i. wrote preface for BPP
  - b. CEC
    - i. Vote16 was passed unanimously to be placed on the ballot for November. CEC is officially disbanded and members are now working on it as individuals/volunteers as is staff. If you email staff at their sfgov they will respond from a personal account
  - c. HLU
    - i. Reviewed BPPs
    - ii. BART Director with another racist remark
  - d. TJ
    - i. Board of Ed passed a resolution to remove SFPD officers from SFUSD
    - ii. Shout out to TJ Commissioners who created/wrote resolutions
  - e. OCOF- no report

## **9. Staff Report (Discussion Only)**

- Resolutions passed today, final edits to be sent to Kiely by noon 7/7
- July 31st - sexual harassment training - ariana arana, nassiri, cheung, alioto-pier, jones, asfaw, alameri, hosmon
- Finalize the BPPs
- No confirmation of BPP presentation: 22nd or 29th
- YMAC recruitment, application open
- potential last meeting July 20th
- radical book club - open to all Commissioners

## **10. Announcements (This Includes Community Events)**

No announcements.

## **11. Adjournment**

Commissioner Cheung adjourns the meeting at 7:05 PM.



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