



San Francisco Youth Commission Civic Engagement Committee

Minutes ~ Draft

Monday, February 11, 2019

4:45-6:45 PM

City Hall, Room 270

1. Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Pl.

San Francisco, CA 94102

There will be public comment on each item.

Members: Arianna Nassiri, Kaye Chin, Charley Obermeyer, Grace Hoogerhyde, Alysha Sadarangani, Felix Andam

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 4:45pm. Commissioners present: Arianna Nassiri, Kaye Chin, Charley Obermeyer, Grace Hoogerhyde, Alysha Sadarangani. Felix Andam has resigned from the Youth Commission, pending full Youth Commission review.

Staff present: Kiely Hosmon. There was quorum.

2. Approval of Agenda (Action Item)

Commissioner Hoogerhyde, seconded by Commissioner Chin, motioned to approve the agenda. There was no public comment. The motion was approved by acclamation.

3. Approval of Minutes (Action Item)

A. January 28, 2019
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Commissioner Hoogerhyde, seconded by Commissioner Obermeyer, motioned to approve the minutes. There was no public comment. The motion was approved by acclamation.

4. Public Comment on Items not on Agenda (Discussion Only)

No public comment.

5. Business (All Items to Follow Discussion and Possible Action)

A. Team Building Activity

This was passed in lieu of doing it in item 5C.

B. Review BLING Interview and Voter Pre Registration Process



Commissioners who were interviewed gave an update, as well as informed the committee that BLING asked if CEC had more money, would they make stipends higher. The answer was yes, and so they are optimistic that they will receive this grant.

C. Vote16 Stakeholders Discussion w/ previous Vote 16 campaigners, staff, and organizations

The CEC kicked off their Vote16 stakeholder meeting with the following in attendance:

Siobhan Brewer-Generation Citizen
Kiely Hosmon-SF Youth Commission
All CEC members
Celi Tamayo-Lee - SF Rising/Independent
Jason Chen- Vote16 National Advisory Board
Joshua Park- Vote16 National Advisory Board
Lyslynn Lacoste – Bmagic
Honey Mahogany – D6 office
Adele Failes Carpenter – former YC staff/CCSF instructor
Kevine Boggess – Coleman Advocates for Youth

Adele, Josh, and Celi gave input from the first Vote 16 campaign done back in 2016. Major takeaways are:

- Youth need to be the driving force behind the campaign
- This is much larger than just getting 16 & 17 year olds the right to vote in local elections; it creates a path for youth to be involved in the legislative and political process
- Public comment is key at full BOS meeting as well as going to get political endorsements
- Emphasis on youth organizing and getting them to throw down-what can this look like the second time around? Need better/more involvement with door knocking, have them champion it at their own organizations, focus on other big youth serving organizations. A large mass was missing at the youth organizing level towards the end
- Bayview focus and education is needed, and much earlier on in the process. Need to be able to create buy in for youth in particular districts.
- 50+1 were helpful, yet on a different political wave length (they supported no AirBNB regulations and corporate Democrats). Fundraising could go very differently during this particular political time, and Youth Commissioner and youth should think about/discuss the shaping of the conversation regarding the national focus vs the local focus. Basically, a values discussion and to know that values might look different to funders vs the youth.
- Need to get more youth organizations involved and earlier on with education. Why is Vote16 important, what is the story you are trying to tell, why should marginalized youth care, where's the buy in for them?
- Research what other youth are working on/organizing around/focused on and incorporate how Vote16 would impact their work and communities. How can they insert themselves into the political process and leverage recent victories and shine positive light on other wins (non-citizen voting rights for parents, Miranda rights of 17 and under in SF, etc.)
- Timeline wise-look at ballot placement and go backwards from that
- Utilize this time and year to plan and create a timeline
- How can labor groups be involved this time around? Coleman is curious of SF Rising's role in Vote16 2020 and their connection to labor groups
- Generation Citizen will help with fundraising efforts



- Collaborating with other cities who are also doing Vote16 efforts could be beneficial to get money from cross county/state/city perspective (going for foundations and grants that aren't just SF focused)
- Fundraising efforts need to be discussed and implemented post YC involvement once it goes on the ballot. YC will have to pull out at that point, and we'll need to know who are partners are that can take on the work with a clean hand off. Clear expectations on the transition will be needed
- Youth input is key along the way and community based organizations who can stick through the whole process and provide capacity. Clear asks and invites will also be needed
- Make sure to keep the Department of Elections involved and heads up
- Focus on nontraditional leaders will be important, and don't want to bring in those who are already considered leaders and ready to work on community issues. How does this relate back to getting youth involved in the legislative and political process?
- Youth Commissioners should start making basic presentations into other youth organizations who have youth groups. Youth to youth education can start now to help build the momentum when we're ready to call in folks to mobilize.
- In YC staff Q drive there should be a whole list of endorsers that we can start with

The group did a basic strategy chart. The CEC will start working on a basic presentation for youth groups and schools, incorporate a sign in sheet for Vote16 involvement when they do their pre reg work, and will start to incorporate time dedicated in CEC meetings to Vote16 conversations and next steps.

D. Omnibus Resolution & Budget support

Youth Commissioners will be presenting on Wednesday, February 13th at 3pm during the Budget and Finance Committee meeting. Please come out and support, speak in public comment, or invite others to attend.

6. Staff Report

Felix has resigned, continue your 1:1s, new website is under way.

7. Executive Committee Report

Kaye will report back.

8. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:49pm.