



**San Francisco Youth Commission  
Minutes – Draft  
Tuesday, July 5, 2022  
5:00pm-8:00pm**

**Held via Videoconference**

**(remote public access provided via teleconference)**

**Members:** Jayden Tanaka, Valentina Alioto-Pier, Raven Shaw, Steven Hum, Ewan Barker-Plummer, Gabrielle Listana, Adrianna Zhang, Arsema Asfaw, Isaiah Catubig, Vanessa Pimentel, Amara Santos, Sahara Frett, Amadeos Oyagata, Jiajian Harry Xu, Emily Nguyen

**Present:** Jayden Tanaka, Valentina Alioto-Pier, Steven Hum, Ewan Barker-Plummer, Gabrielle Listana, Adrianna Zhang, Isaiah Catubig, Vanessa Pimentel, Amara Santos, Sahara Frett, Emily Nguyen.

The San Francisco Youth Commission met remotely in regular session through videoconferencing, and provided public comment through teleconferencing, on Tuesday, July 5, 2022, with Chair Adrianna Zhang presiding.

Chair Zhang calls the meeting order at 5:03pm.

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

On the call of the roll the below Commissioners were noted present.

Roll Call Attendance: 11 present, 4 not present, 0 tardy

Jayden Tanaka, present  
Valentina Alioto-Pier, present  
Jiajian Harry Xu, not present  
Arsema Asfaw, not present  
Gabrielle Listana, present  
Adrianna Zhang, present  
Sahara Frett, present  
Amadeos Oyagata, not present  
Vanessa Pimentel, present  
Emily Nguyen, present  
Amara Santos, present  
Raven Shaw, not present  
Ewan Barker-Plummer, present



Isaiah Catubig, present  
Steven Hum, present

A quorum of the Commission was present.

## **2. Communications**

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

## **3. Approval of Agenda**

Chair Zhang inquired whether any Commissioner had any changes to the July 5, 2022, Full Youth Commission agenda. There were no changes.

Public Comment: None

Commissioner Tanaka, seconded by Commissioner Listana, motioned to approve the July 5, 2022, Full Youth Commission Agenda. The motion carried by following roll call vote:

Roll Call Vote: 11 aye, 4 absent

Jayden Tanaka, aye  
Valentina Alioto-Pier, aye  
Jiajian Harry Xu, absent  
Arsema Asfaw, absent  
Gabrielle Listana, aye  
Adrianna Zhang, aye  
Sahara Frett, aye  
Amadeos Oyagata, absent  
Vanessa Pimentel, aye  
Emily Nguyen, aye  
Amara Santos, aye  
Raven Shaw, absent  
Ewan Barker Plummer, aye  
Isaiah Catubig, aye  
Steven Hum, aye

Action: Agenda Approved.

## **4. Approval of Minutes June 21, 2022**



Chair Zhang inquired whether any Commissioner had any changes to the June 21, 2022, Full Youth Commission Minutes. There were no changes.

Public Comment: None

Commissioner Barker Plummer, seconded by Commissioner Nguyen, motioned to approve the June 21, 2022 Full Youth Commission Minutes. The motion carried by following roll call vote:

Roll Call Vote: 11 aye, 4 absent

Jayden Tanaka, aye  
Valentina Alioto-Pier, aye  
Jiajian Harry Xu, absent  
Arsema Asfaw, absent  
Gabrielle Listana, aye  
Adrianna Zhang, aye  
Sahara Frett, aye  
Amadeos Oyagata, absent  
Vanessa Pimentel, aye  
Emily Nguyen, aye  
Amara Santos, aye  
Raven Shaw, absent  
Ewan Barker Plummer, aye  
Isaiah Catubig, aye  
Steven Hum, aye

Action: Minutes Approved.

##### **5. Public Comment on Items not on Agenda**

Public Comment: None

##### **6. Resolution: Transgender and Gender Non-Binary Refuge - SB 107 (first reading)**

Authored by Commissioners Barker Plummer, Nguyen, Hum, Zhang, Shaw, Tanaka, Alioto-Pier. Commissioner Barker Plummer read the resolution.

No public comment, no discussion.



Chair Zhang, seconded by Commissioner Barker Plummer, motioned to move out of the orders of the day to Agenda Item 8. Chair Zhang motioned due to the presenters not being present for their item. The motion carried by following roll call vote:

Roll Call Vote: 11 aye, 4 absent

Jayden Tanaka, aye  
Valentina Alioto-Pier, aye  
Jiajian Harry Xu, absent  
Arsema Asfaw, absent  
Gabrielle Listana, aye  
Adrianna Zhang, aye  
Sahara Frett, aye  
Amadeos Oyagata, absent  
Vanessa Pimentel, aye  
Emily Nguyen, aye  
Amara Santos, aye  
Raven Shaw, absent  
Ewan Barker Plummer, aye  
Isaiah Catubig, aye  
Steven Hum, aye

Action: Motion Approved.

## **7. Presentation: Charter Amendment - Student Success Fund (discussion)**

Jennifer Ferrigno, D9 Legislative Aide, presented an overview of the ballot measure. Commissioner Nguyen asked how schools would be able to determine necessary grant funding & assistance to sites to be able to know how to apply. Commissioner Barker Plummer asked about any amendments since the initial language, and how to hold SFUSD accountable to spending this money wisely. Chair Zhang asked about the longevity of the fund, since many programs will need recurring funding to be as effective as possible.

No public comment.

Commissioner Raven Shaw joined the meeting at 5:49pm, but was still considered absent due to being too late to be considered tardy.

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

### **A. Executive Committee**



**a. Legislative Affairs**

Commissioner Hum said there's been no youth-related legislation introduced at the last BOS meeting.

**b. Community Outreach**

Commissioners Listana & Nguyen are nearly complete on the SFYC campaign posts, staff posts, and a DCYF student seat vacancies post. Also working on finding community events to table and spread SFYC awareness, like at Sunday Streets.

**c. General Committee Updates**

At the past meeting, they discussed and concluded that there will be no special election for the Vice Chair due to Commissioner Asfaw being on a LOA. Also gathering interest on possible amendments to the SFYC Bylaws.

**9. Staff Report**

Alondra Esquivel Garcia, Director, shared that recruitment is starting to come to an end since supervisors are making their appointment decisions, Fun Fridays will begin next week, and will continue to plan fun events to finish off this term.

Joshua Rudy Ochoa, CPS, shared that he will be emailing the commissioners to gather interest for bylaws amendments, reaching out to organizations to have collaborative spaces, and asked for any organizations that commissioners know of that we'd want to establish a relationship with.

Joy Zhan, YDS, shared that she will soon be gathering feedback and doing training on how to get a ballot measure onto the ballot for voters to vote on.

**10. Announcements**

Commissioner Nguyen shared the movie event this week. Joshua (CPS) shared a list of community events throughout the City on the SF Standard's website.

**11. Adjournment**

There being no further business, the Youth Commission adjourned at 6:26pm.



N.B. The Minutes of this meeting set forth all actions taken by the Youth Commission, on the matters stated, but not necessarily in the chronological sequence in which the matters were taken.

[Transgender and Gender Non-Binary Refuge - Senate Bill 107]

**Resolution in support of California Senate Bill 107 by Senator Scott Wiener in the 2021-2022 session of the California State Legislature to protect and grant refuge to transgender and gender non-binary kids and their parents fleeing states separating children from their parents, criminalize the parents, or criminalize people coming to CA to receive gender-affirming care, and urging the Board of Supervisors to support the aforesaid legislation.**

WHEREAS, State Legislators and Governors, including those in the states of Idaho, Texas, Arizona, Louisiana, and Alabama, are committing blatant legal and social attacks against transgender and gender non-binary youth across the United States, and

WHEREAS, 29% of transgender and gender non-binary youth have attempted suicide, compared to 7% of cisgender youth<sup>1</sup>, and

WHEREAS, 43% of transgender youth have been bullied at school, compared to 18% of cisgender youth, and

WHEREAS, 33 State Legislatures had anti-transgender and gender non-binary legislation introduced across the United States in 2021<sup>2</sup>, and

WHEREAS, 20 State Legislatures have had bills introduced to restrict or end gender-affirming care across the United States in 2022<sup>3</sup>, and

WHEREAS, Texas Governor Greg Abbott issued a directive to the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services on February 22, 2022 directing the Department to

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<sup>1</sup> [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#)

<sup>2</sup> [This record-breaking year for anti-transgender legislation would affect minors the most](#), CNN 4/15/2021

<sup>3</sup> Freedom for ALL Americans [Legislative Tracker: Youth Healthcare Bans](#)

investigate parents of transgender and gender non-binary children, claiming that gender-affirming care could constitute “child abuse”<sup>4</sup>, and

WHEREAS, Texas is also proposing to remove transgender and gender non-binary children from their parents and place them in foster care while in turn jailing the parents, and

WHEREAS, San Francisco and the State of California have historically been places of safe haven for legal and social protection for members of the queer community, including transgender and gender non-binary people; and

WHEREAS, as attacks against transgender and gender non-binary youth across the United States continue, it is the responsibility of San Francisco and the State of California to ensure transgender and gender non-binary people, particularly youth, continue to be protected and welcomed, and

WHEREAS, California Senator Scott Wiener has introduced California Senate Bill 107 in the 2021-2022 Session of the California State Legislature to protect transgender and gender non-binary kids and their parents seeking refuge in California<sup>5</sup>, and

WHEREAS, California Senate Bill 107, if enacted, will reject any out-of-state court judgments that remove trans kids from their parents based on parents allowing their kids to receive gender-affirming healthcare, and

WHEREAS, California Senate Bill 107, if enacted, will make out-of-state court judgments removing trans kids from their parents based on parents allowing their kids to receive gender-affirming healthcare against California public policy and will preclude those judgments from being enforced in California courts, and

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<sup>4</sup> [Texas governor calls on citizens to report parents of transgender kids for abuse](#), NBC News 2/23/2022

<sup>5</sup> [California Senate Bill No. 107](#)



WHEREAS, California Senate Bill 107, if enacted, will bar compliance in California with any out-of-state subpoenas seeking health or related information about people who come to California to receive gender-affirming care, if the subpoena relates to efforts to criminalize people, or remove children, based on receiving gender-affirming care, and

WHEREAS, California Senate Bill 107, if enacted, will make it public policy that out-of-state arrest warrants for someone based on violating another state's law against receiving gender-affirming care will be the lowest law enforcement priority in California, and

WHEREAS, California Senators Toni Atkins, Susan Eggman, and John Laird and California Assemblymembers Rebecca Bauer-Kahan, Mia Bonta, Sabrina Cervantes, Matt Haney, Ash Kalra, Alex Lee, Evan Low, and Chris Ward have co-sponsored California Senate Bill 107, and

WHEREAS, California Senate Bill 107, if enacted, will take action and play offense to ensure that the LGBTQ+ community is protected and welcomed in California, and therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the 2021-2022 San Francisco Youth Commission declares support for California Senate Bill 107 in the 2021-2022 Session of the California State Legislature to protect transgender and gender non-binary kids and their parents seeking refuge in California, and

RESOLVED, that the 2021-2022 San Francisco Youth Commission urges the San Francisco Board of Supervisors to support California Senate Bill 107 in the 2021-2022 Session of the California State Legislature for the aforementioned reasons, and

RESOLVED, that the Youth Commission directs Youth Commission staff to transmit copies of this resolution to members of the California State Senate, California State Assembly, and the Office of the Governor of California.

[Charter Amendment - Student Success Fund]

**[Resolution in Support of the City and County of San Francisco’s Student Success Fund Charter Amendment to fund 15 years of Funding to Provide Grants to schools in San Francisco Unified School District to Implement Programs that Improve Academic Achievement and Social/Emotional Wellness of Students]**

WHEREAS, the Student Success Fund inspires creativity and specific programming designed to effectively serve the students at each school site in order to improve social/emotional wellness and academic achievement; and,

WHEREAS, the Student Success Fund set asides \$60 million a year for grants to San Francisco Unified School District (SFUSD) schools to give wrap around programs to better student achievement along with social/emotional wellness; and,

WHEREAS, the wide range of programming could include accelerated curriculum for math and literacy, summer and/or after school opportunities to learn, programming in STEM, art, music, and dance, additional tutors to give assistance to teachers and students, full time wellness specialists such as school nurses, psychologists, and social workers; and,

WHEREAS, the funds are not intended to be used to fill the deficit of SFUSD or basic classroom or administrative positions at the school; and,

WHEREAS, the main source of funding for the program is the excess Educational Revenue Augmentation Fund (ERAF); and,

WHEREAS, to prevent the dismantling of the program during years of recession, the Department of Children Youth and Their Families (DCYF) will be required to place any unused funds in any given fiscal year in a reserve fund for the program; and,

WHEREAS, San Francisco public schools have been chronically underfunded for decades, causing major student deficits in basic academic skills like reading, writing, and math; and,

WHEREAS, underfunding of the San Francisco Unified School District (SFUSD) has led to deficits for students around social-emotional health and well-being; and,

WHEREAS, school sites benefit from on-site programs like professional mental health providers, arts programs, physical education programs, Junior ROTC programs, and other enrichment programs; and,

WHEREAS, student-centered academic achievement and enrichment programs have been proven to support students' wellbeing and academic standing; and,

WHEREAS, funding for these programs has historically been cut in SFUSD schools due to limited budgeting; and,

WHEREAS, when these programs are implemented at SFUSD school sites they have positive impacts on students' social-emotional wellbeing and academic standing, yet these programs often have limited short-term funding; and,

WHEREAS, the Student Success Fund Charter Amendment will provide grants to SFUSD school sites to help create long-term funding for enrichment programs focusing on student academic achievement; and,

WHEREAS, the Student Success Fund earmarks \$60 million a year for grants to SFUSD schools (Pre-K-12th grade) to provide evidence-based wrap-around programs to improve student achievement and social-emotional wellness; and,

WHEREAS, the Student Success Fund Charter Working Group has made recommendations for the funding for many communities by including a variety of stakeholders (such as Supervisors Ronen and Melgar, educators, parents, San Francisco Board of Education Commissioners Alexander and Boggess, incoming Superintendent Dr. Wayne, students from SFUSD Advisory Council, community based organizations, and Department of Children, Youth and Their Families); and,

WHEREAS, data from SFUSD 2019 test scores shows that scores of students in pitch schools located in the Bayview and Mission, areas with statistically higher proportions of black and brown youth, have repeatedly under 40% of students reading at grade level (the lowest percentage being 8%) and under 43% proficient in math (the lowest percentage being 8%); and,

WHEREAS, students from historically marginalized communities in particular use school and community programming as a safe space and for educational enrichment; and,

WHEREAS, the main source of the funding for this program is the excess Educational Excess Revenue Augmentation Fund (ERAF), a fund used by San Francisco in the 90s that was supposed to be for students; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Youth Commission strongly urges the Members of the San Francisco Board of Supervisors to create and implement the Student Success Fund by passing this charter amendment; and,

**San Francisco Youth Commission**  
**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**  
Zhang, Barker-Plummer, Alioto-Pier, Hum

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Youth Commission strongly urges the Members of the San Francisco Board of Supervisors and the San Francisco Board of Education to ensure that all San Francisco public schools are adequately funded to provide safe environments for core instruction, in addition to the programs that can be funded through the Student Success Fund; and,

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Youth Commission

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Youth Commission calls on San Francisco policy makers and community leaders to implement grant application assessment processes to consistently consult and value the input from SFUSD students.