



**CITY OF LONG BEACH
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION AND MARINE
COMMISSION ON YOUTH AND CHILDREN
March 27, 2013**

MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER

Co-Chair McAlpin called the meeting of the Commission on Youth and Children (CYC) to order at approximately 6:15 p.m., at the Long Beach Parks, Recreation and Marine administration office. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, roll call was taken, and a quorum was confirmed.

Present: Jeanetta McAlpin, *Social Services, Co-Chair*
Gregory Canillas, *Education*
Chris Dingman, *7th District Youth*
Jens Pettersson, *4th District Youth*

Absent: Malia Blake, *6th District Youth, Co-Chair*
Nicolas Rademacher, *3rd District Youth*

VACANT, <i>1st District Youth</i>	VACANT, <i>2nd District Youth</i>
VACANT, <i>5th District Youth</i>	VACANT, <i>8th District Youth</i>
VACANT, <i>9th District Youth</i>	VACANT, <i>Education</i>
VACANT, <i>LBUSD Board Member</i>	VACANT, <i>Youth Enrichment</i>
VACANT, <i>Job Training</i>	VACANT, <i>Health</i>
VACANT, <i>Juvenile Justice</i>	VACANT, <i>Early Childhood Development</i>
VACANT, <i>Parent</i>	

Staff: Joy Warren, *Interim Superintendent, Community Recreation Services, Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine*
Marla Camerino, *Clerical Support, Community Recreation Services, Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine*

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Commissioner Dingman and seconded by Commissioner Canillas to approve the May 23, 2012 minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

III. COMMENTS: TIME GIVEN TO THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE COMMISSIONERS CONCERNING NON-AGENDA ITEMS WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE COMMISSION. EACH PERSON WILL BE ALLOWED 3 MINUTES UNLESS EXTENDED BY THE COMMISSION

No public comments.

IV. COMMISSION VISITS

Discussion took place regarding outreaching to youth at the libraries and teen centers as a way to make the commission more visible, and as a tool for recruiting youth to join the commission. It was discussed that the visits would take place in the months that the CYC does not meet. Commissioner Canillas will create a list of places to visit and send to the CYC for feedback. The commission discussed having visits on Fridays to accommodate everybody's schedule.

V. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT TO THE COMMISSION

Ms. Warren discussed various programs, including summer programs that will take place or are taking place at various park sites. She also talked about the Summer Night Lights program that will take place this summer at Admiral Kidd, Martin Luther King, Jr., and Drake Parks.

Ms. Warren spoke about the anti-bullying policy that the department is currently in the process of getting approved. She stated this would be a good topic for the commission to get involved in.

Co-Chair McAlpin stated that there is a bullying DVD available. Ms. Warren will try to obtain a copy of the DVD to show at the next meeting.

VI. CO-CHAIRS REPORT TO THE COMMISSION

A. Co-Chair McAlpin

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B. Co-Chair Blake

VII. REPORTS

A. Standing Committees

1. Executive Committee Co-Chair McAlpin

Note: The next Executive Committee meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 8, at 5:00 p.m. in the small conference room at the Parks, Recreation and Marine administration building (2760 Studebaker Road).

The Executive Committee met to discuss tonight's meeting. Discussions also took place regarding new commissioners, making the commission more visible, and commission visits.

B. Special Committees

1. Marketing / Outreach Committee

The commission will work on updating the current brochure.

C. Standing Item Reports

1. District Level Youth Advisory Councils - Report on DLYAC meetings

There was no information to report.

2. Long Beach GRIP Project Advisory Council – Commissioners McAlpin

Co-Chair McAlpin reported that she attended a training that focused on girls and gangs at Loyola. Co-Chair McAlpin reported that girls have different risk factors than boys. She stated that if it does not cost anything, maybe the commission could host something similar in Long Beach.

In addition, the advisory council is also sending members to a gang conference at UCI in Orange County.

D. Non-Committee Commissioner Comments

Co-Chair McAlpin reported that there is a new African-American convening group that is looking into the issues of African-American youth within the school district and in the judicial system. The group meets at various places in Long Beach.

Co-Chair McAlpin reported on a couple of summer hiring programs. The Summer Youth Employment program pledged to hire 1,000 youth this year. If additional funding comes in, they plan to hire more. The Port of Long Beach is also accepting applications for internships.

Co-Chair McAlpin stated that a few of the girls from the California Families in Focus organization wanted to attend prom, but couldn't afford the cost of a dress. Co-Chair McAlpin networked with a few organizations and collected two bags of dresses for the girls to try on.

E. City Council Visits

1. Report from the Commissioners on their Visit to City Council

Commissioner Dingman and Co-Chair McAlpin still plan to attend an upcoming council meeting.

2. **Recommended Action:** Approve one adult commissioner and one youth commissioner to attend a City Council meeting on behalf of the Commission on Youth and Children regarding items/issues that have been approved by the Commission.

No action taken at this time.

VIII. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

No unfinished business discussed.

IX. **NEW BUSINESS**

No new business discussed.

X. **ADJOURNMENT**

It was moved by Commissioner Dingman and seconded by Commissioner Pettersson to adjourn the meeting at 7:10 p.m. to the next meeting on Wednesday, May 22, 2013 at 6:00 p.m.

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