



# San Mateo County Youth Commission



**\*\*\*HYBRID MEETING - IN-PERSON AND BY VIDEOCONFERENCE\*\*\***

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Meeting Location: 455 County Center Building,  
Room 101, First Floor,  
Redwood City, CA 940063.

## **REGULAR MEETING** **Minutes**

Thursday, January 25, 2024  
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

### **Community Agreements**

Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, Accessibility  
Be true to yourself.  
Step in, step out.  
Communicate efficiently and proactively.  
Accountability- be honest about what you can do and follow through with it.  
Community advocacy and empathy.  
Use your voice and strength, represent.

- 1. Call to Order at 6:08 pm**
- 2. Roll Call**

**Commissioner Agarwal, Abraham, Chavez, Chowdhary, Chen, Lau, Ordonez, A. Shah were absent.**

- 3. Public Comment**

Members of the public may address the commission on youth related issues and concerns that are not currently on the agenda. The public is welcome to speak on Agenda items throughout the meeting. Please use the raise hand feature if you would like to make a public comment. If you are attending by phone, you may press \*9 to raise your hand.

**No member of the public commented.**

- 4. Approve Agenda (Action)**

**Motion**// Commissioner Zhao

**Second**// Commissioner Chan

**5. Approve Minutes (Action)**

**Motion**// Commissioner Zou

**Second**// Commissioner Ryono

**6. Subcommittee Work Time**

**7. Approve EJ Subcommittee Letter of Support to SMUHSD (Action)**

a. Biodegradable food project

b. EJ Subcommittee Letter of Support was moved. Commissioner Mishra motioned and Commissioner Handel seconded. No abstentions or oppositions.

**8. Approve Immigrant Youth Scholarship Application (Action)**

a. Commissioner Budhani motion to approve. Commissioner Zhou seconded. No abstentions or oppositions.

**9. Subcommittee Reports**

a. Civic Engagement → on an event, voter registration drives, procuring the forms with help from Helen, arranging speakers and securing the venue from our event

b. Immigrant Youth → working on posters at a Farm Workers' Convention, letter to the board of ed, red cards

c. Educational Equity → author is already picked for the literacy event, Alston and Isabelle have two partnerships with non-profits ready - decided on two schools they want to have the program in, Nikhil and Tara are working on the Board of Ed letter.

d. Environmental Justice → presenting with the board on recommendations, have the date for the library project, working on finalizing and contacting the authors, inviting Camille Lang to be the speaker

e. May 4th is the date for the library project.

f. Health and Wellness → Mental Health Mondays, working on making Canva flyers and post them on Instagram, collaborating with other mental health organizations

**10. Liaison Reports**

a. Committee on Aging - SamTrans support for veterans.

b. LGBTQ+ - working on commissioner projects.

c. Domestic Violence - working on awareness for teen relationship violence

d. Civic Engagement - planning an event and organizing venues.

e. First 5 - had their meeting.

f. JJDC - haven't had their meeting, but changes in leadership.

**11. Announcements**

- Officer Shadowing: Commission Secretary

- If anyone is interested, please reach out to Cassie.

- Sheriff's Oversight and Engagement Subcommittee

- Nominations and Vote will be during the February 8<sup>th</sup> meeting

- For more information you can visit:  
<https://www.smcgov.org/bos/public-safety-advisory-subcommittee>
- Trail Planning Intern (PLC) Juan Bautista De Anza National Historic Trails
  - Applications due Feb 5, 2024
  - The Latino Heritage Internship Program (LHIP) seeks to engage Latino undergraduates and recent graduates ages 18 – 30 for this unmatched leadership training program that is focused in the cultural and natural resource management. You must be (additional requirement):
- Princess Project
  - provides prom dresses and accessories to thousands of California teens who could not otherwise afford them
  - Let staff know if interested to set up an appointment.
  - More information at: <https://princessproject.org/>
- Next Meetings:
  - February 8<sup>th</sup> and February 29<sup>th</sup> (1-week off)

## 12. Adjournment

- a. Adjourned at 7:48

## Upcoming Meetings:

February - Civic Engagement Guest Speaker

March - Immigrant Youth Guest Speaker

April - Environmental Justice

May - Health and Wellness

May 23 - SMC Youth Commission Showcase and 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration

## Next Meeting: February 8, 2024

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