

Youth Commission
Tuesday, May 7, 2024
Virtual
6:30 pm

Members Present – J. Aponte, S. Segura, R. Flores

Others Present – S. Smith, G. Arias, W. Butler

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:40 pm by Mr. Flores. He stated that a quorum is not present.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

PRESENTATIONS

Ms. Smith stated that Ms. Perez was to arrange this presentation. She stated that she will remove the item from the agenda until the arrangements have been made.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Ms. Smith stated that new purchases were for the Nemesis Run sponsorship and face painting.

SOCIAL MEDIA REPORT

Ms. Aponte stated that she has no report.

Mr. Flores requested that the Nemesis Run photos be shared.

Ms. Aponte stated that she has gotten a new phone and needs the social media passwords.

EVENT PLANNING

- Earth Day

Ms. Aponte stated that she attended with her friends and learned that the City will be holding the Riverzilla event this summer. She expressed the belief that the Youth Commission should have a table at this event.

- Nemesis Run

Ms. Arias stated that she put several photos in the chat. She stated that it rained on event day and a canopy tent would have been helpful. She also noted the need for a storage area.

Ms. Smith stated that there is no available storage space in City Hall which is why all the equipment is stored in her office.

Mr. Flores offered to store the canopy at his home if one is purchased by the Youth Commission.

Ms. Smith requested the order details be sent to her to move this purchase forward.

OLD BUSINESS

- Adopt-a-Block

Mr. Flores stated that Ms. Perez is finalizing the paperwork. He stated that several cleanups have occurred.

- Video Contest

Ms. Aponte stated that no progress has been made due to busy schedules.

Mr. Flores suggested that this topic be removed from the agenda until there is an update. Ms. Arias agreed.

NEW BUSINESS

- Membership Review

Mr. Flores stated that he is familiar with Ms. Acosta. He stated that she is no longer interested in serving and has recently graduated from college.

Ms. Smith stated that Ms. Tavaréz is familiar with Ms. Suero but Ms. Suero has still not engaged. She explained that members can be removed from the Commission so that others can join.

Mr. Flores suggested beginning the removal process for Ms. Acosta and Ms. Suero.

- Summer Meeting Schedule

Ms. Smith stated that the summer meetings can be held outdoors or at other locations. She questioned if the Commission wished to take a break for June and July.

Mr. Flores stated that he was looking forward to being more involved this summer and stated that he would rather continue meeting monthly.

Ms. Arias stated that meeting attendance has been down but she would also like to continue meeting monthly. She questioned if activities could continue if the Commission does not hold meetings. Ms. Smith stated that activities can continue.

Ms. Aponte agreed that monthly meetings should continue and expressed the belief that the Commission will have the opportunity to participate in many summer events.

Ms. Segura stated that she is fine either way and will do what the group wishes.

Mr. Flores stated that attendance has declined since meetings moved to virtual. He stated that he will poll members via the group chat and provide the decision to Ms. Smith by Friday.

- Interests and Speaker Requests

Mr. Flores noted his hope that some of these items can be explored once attendance is back up.

Ms. Arias thanked Mr. Flores for chairing this meeting.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Youth Commission will be determined at a later date.

The meeting adjourned at 6:58 pm.

Respectfully submitted by
Shelly Smith, CMC
Deputy City Clerk