

CITY OF NORTH RICHLAND HILLS Youth Advisory committee 4301 City Point Dr. North Richland Hills, TX 76180 Community Room Wednesday, September 11, 2019

## Members Present

Emily Wallace Randy Rangel Imani Kayembe Asher Pierce Sydney Thomason Shelby Thomason Naia Garner Cynthia Cruz Kat Mills Jocelyn Paz Elizabeth Worrell Ingrid Gracia

## Staff Members & Guests

Billy Owens, Assistant to the City Manager

1. Call The Meeting To Order

Chair Emily Wallace called the meeting to order at 6:06 pm.

2. Approve the minutes from the May 8, 2019 meetings of the Youth Advisory Committee

Chair Wallace called for a motion to approve the minutes from the May 8, 2019 meeting of the Youth Advisory Committee. Shelby Thomason motioned to approve the minutes, Randy Rangel seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.

3. Introductions of committee, staff and visitors

The Committee did a round of introductions.

4. Discuss program retention and recruitment.

The Committee discussed initiatives for program recruitment. Members will create a flier with information about YAC and spread it to incoming ninth graders

as well as other high school students. Announcements will also be made at both Birdville and Richland High School to recruit current high school students.

5. Discuss program updates.

Billy Owens discussed the topic of attendance for Committee members and the desire from City Council to see positive outcomes from the group. YAC will give two briefings to City Council this year on various topics they feel are important to their age-group.

6. Discuss and consider ideas for the 2019 Youth Project Proposal.

Members discussed the possibility of doing two different projects through the year. They would like to do a welcome event for new members to the City of North Richland Hills. This event would focus on assisting those new residents who might have issues with language barriers or other cultural differences that might make it difficult for them. The Committee would use this event to show the new residents all the services and community resources that are available to them to make sure they have an easier transition in becoming part of the NRH community.

The group also discussed doing an event at the animal shelter like they had in the past. The group will first focus on the diversity event for this semester before planning for the next event.

7. Adjournment

Chair Emily Wallace adjourned the meeting at 6:42 p.m.

APPROVED:

Emily Wallace, Chair