



City of Port Moody

Minutes

Youth Focus Committee

Minutes of the meeting of the Youth Focus Committee held on Thursday, November 19, 2020 via Zoom.

Present

Nathan Piasecki, Chair
Nyah Courchesne, Vice-Chair
Daniel Dian
Roxanna Ferdowski
Arun Ghag
Esme Harris
Pedram Moshirfatemi
Raag Nair
Palak Sharma
Sarah Wong
Jennifer Zhang
Chris Zhao

Absent

Kaia Goddard (Regrets)
Chloe Goodison (Regrets)
Nicole Leng (Regrets)
Jim LaCroix – Manager of Recreation
Mayor Rob Vagramov – Alternate Council Representative

In Attendance

Corina Lefebvre – Recreation Programmer
Councillor Steve Milani – Council Representative
Jennifer Mills – Committee Coordinator

1. Call to Order

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1.1 The Chair called the meeting to order at 5:06pm.

Acknowledgement of Unceded Territories

1.2 The Committee acknowledged the traditional territories of the Coast Salish First Nations.

2. Adoption of Minutes

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2.1 YFC20/014

Moved, seconded, and CARRIED

THAT the minutes of the Youth Focus Committee meeting held on Wednesday, October 14, 2020 be adopted.

3. Unfinished Business

4. New Business

2020-2021 Work Plan 4.1 The Recreation Programmer provided an overview of the Draft 2020-2021 Youth Focus Committee Work Plan and the following items were noted for inclusion in the Work Plan:

- Youth Outdoor Recreation;
- Tri City REACH Awards;
- meeting in Council Chambers;
- Pink Shirt Day and Acts of Caring/Kindness;
- multiculturalism/diversity event;
- Youth Scholarship;
- youth mental health;
- Instagram account;
- Black History Month; and
- Orange Shirt Day.

The Committee noted the following:

- the work plan items could be prioritized to ensure the most important items are addressed in the event of another shutdown;
- the Committee could receive a presentation from the Port Moody Police Department;
- the Committee could receive a presentation from the Youth Green Team;
- the Director of Environment and Parks could be invited to a meeting to discuss opportunities for youth in environmental initiatives;
- the TransLink item could be removed from the work plan until a more appropriate time such as when the pandemic is over;
- the social media efforts could include educational resources and speakers; and
- the development of programming for young entrepreneurs including information on how to start a business, where to apply for grants, and practicing interview skills.

The Committee noted the following items as high priority:

- Black History Month;
- Real Acts of Caring;
- mental health; and
- social media efforts.

Action: Committee Coordinator and Recreation Programmer to finalize the work plan and include the Draft 2020-2021 Youth Focus Committee Work Plan on the December meeting agenda.

**Parks and Recreation
Commission
Representative**

- 4.2 Councillor Milani provided an overview of the Youth Focus Committee Representative on the Parks and Recreation Commission and requested any interested members to volunteer.

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Moved, seconded, and CARRIED

THAT Chris Zhao be appointed to the Parks and Recreation Commission as the Youth Focus Committee representative for a one-year term.

5. Information

Staff Updates

- 5.1 No updates were provided at this time.

6. Adjournment

- 6.1 The Chair adjourned the meeting at 6:24pm.