



City of Port Moody

Minutes

Youth Focus Committee

Electronic Meeting via Zoom
Wednesday, November 13, 2024
at 5:00pm

- Present: Vincent Zhao, Vice-Chair
Valentina Doostdar
Yaleena Gracey
Jaehyeok Hwang
Om Kapadia
Haiyue Luo
Nate Mossey
Daniel Seo
Lance Wong
Sharon Zhao
- Absent: Councillor K. Knowles, Alternate Council Representative
Andrew Kim (Regrets)
Jonas McConville, Chair (Regrets)
- In Attendance: Councillor A. Lubik – Council Representative
B. Ozden Gozukara – Legislative Services Coordinator
Corina Lefebvre – Recreation Coordinator
Sandy Tolentino – Project Manager of Engineering and Operations (re item 6.1)
- Also In Attendance: Stephen Slawuta, RC Strategies (re item 6.1)

1. Call to Order

The Vice-Chair called the meeting to order at 5:00pm.

2. Territorial Land Acknowledgement

The Vice-Chair provided the territorial land acknowledgement.

3. Adoption of the Agenda

3.1 Agenda

YFC23/024

THAT the agenda of the November 13, 2024, Youth Focus Committee meeting be adopted as circulated.

Moved, seconded, and CARRIED

4. Adoption of Minutes

4.1 Minutes

YFC23/025

THAT the minutes of the Youth Focus Committee meeting held on October 9, 2024, be adopted.

Moved, seconded, and CARRIED

5. Unfinished Business

6. New Business

6.1 Recreation Facility Study

Presentation: Project Manager, Engineering and Operations and Stephen Slawuta, RC Strategies

The RC Strategies representative, Stephen Slawuta, gave a presentation entitled “Recreation Facility Study” and referred to slides contained in the on-table package.

Committee discussion ensued regarding the following topics:

- current trends in recreational activities;
- gaps in terms of spaces, equipment, and repairs; and
- challenges that the youth may encounter in accessing recreational activities.

The Project Manager of Engineering and Operations and the RC Strategies representative left the meeting at this point and did not return.

6.2 Pink Shirt Day

Verbal Report: Chair

The Vice-Chair provided a verbal report regarding the preparations for Pink Shirt Day.

Committee discussion ensued regarding the following topics:

- timeline for preparations;
- advertisement and campaigning methods; and
- ways to increase engagement for the event.

YFC23/026

THAT the Pink Shirt Day Working Group be formed with the following members:

- *Jaehyeok Hwang;*
- *Om Kapadia;*
- *Lance Wong; and*
- *Vincent Zhao.*

Moved, seconded, and CARRIED

6.3 Rocky Point Skatepark Mural Update

Verbal Report: Recreation Coordinator

The Recreation Coordinator provided a verbal report regarding the timeline, selection of themes and other steps to be taken for the Rocky Point Skatepark Mural.

Committee discussion ensued regarding the following topics:

- suggestions for the color scheme, symbols, and themes;
- relevant persons that may be included in the mural according to the theme; and
- ways for youth to contribute to the process.

Sharon Zhao left the meeting at this point and did not return.

6.4 Black History Month Planning

Verbal Report: Chair

The Vice-Chair provided a verbal report on the current stages of planning for Black History Month and discussion ensued regarding the following topics:

- past activities that took place during Black History Month;
- different aspects that may be focused on during the planning stages;
- ways to increase participation for the upcoming Black History Month.

YFC23/027

THAT the Black History Month Planning Working Group be formed with the following members:

- *Valentina Doostdar*
- *Om Kapadia*
- *Daniel Seo*
- *Lance Wong; and*
- *Vincent Zhao.*

Moved, seconded, and CARRIED

6.5 Youth Week - Tri-City REACH Awards

Verbal Report: Chair and Recreation Coordinator

The Recreation Coordinator provided a verbal update regarding the outline, schedule, and categories for the ongoing planning stages for Tri-City REACH Awards.

7. Information

7.1 Staff Updates

There were no staff updates at this time.

8. Adjournment

The Vice-Chair adjourned the meeting at 6:11pm.