Mayor’s Youth Commission of Tacoma
Leadership Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, October 9, 2019
Tacoma Municipal Building North
Room 16
10:00 a.m.

Present: Chair Rosemary Sissel, Vice Chair Yasmin Aref, Emma Robinson, Ethan Quinones, Stella Keating, Ian Fredrickson,

Absent: Maizy green, Taylor Jackson, Sanoah Smith, Evangeline Purcell (Alternate), Nate Minor (Alternate), Rowan Ali (Alternate), Huyen-Tram Nguyen, Logan Cornwell (Alternate)

Staff and Guests Present: Bucoda Warren (Commission Staff), Joseph Colon (Graduate Tacoma)

Welcome and introductions
At approximately 10:14 a.m., Chair Sissel called the meeting to order.

Approval of the Minutes
At approximately 10:24 a.m., the minutes were approved unanimously.
Motion: Keating
Second: Quinones

Approval of the Minutes
At approximately 10:24 a.m., the minutes were amended to move item D under briefing items above A. The agenda was approved as amended.
Motion: Keating
Second: Quinones

Briefing Items
Commission Chair and Vice Chair’s Report
Chair Sissel and Vice Chair Aref shared that the commission received the Urban League’s emerging leader award, made a plan for attending citizen’s forum in the future, let the leadership team know about Metro Parks upcoming Youth Councils, and the Chair’s desire to write a letter in support of a climate emergency declaration.
Tacoma Sleepyheads Final Discussion
The leadership team voted to invite the Tacoma Sleepyheads back for further discussions but not to endorse nor adopt them as an ad-hoc committee at this time.

Motion: Keating
Second: Fredrickson

Student Government Day
Chair Sissel let staff know that she and Princess Guinto would likely be available for Student Government Day.

Review of Upcoming Topics
Commission Staff Warren showed the leadership team where the council keeps their schedules so that they can monitor coming policy, and went over Council Action Memos and draft legislation that the Commission could develop and present to council.

Subcommittee Reports
- S&EH- A meeting is in the works with the school board, superintendent, and staff at Tacoma Public Schools to discuss nursing programs.
- EA&C – reported that they were canvassing in the gas station park area letting neighbors know about coming changes. Neighbors were happy to hear about changes and look forward to coming meetings. Planning to go to the South End Neighborhood Council to seek funding for a November 2 meet and greet coco event in the park on November 2. Also reported that Chair Fredrickson sent a letter to Wilson’s principal trying to pilot lunch clubs.
- J&S – wants to write a letter to the school board regarding safety drills in school.
- O&B – wants to explore new ways to recruit members. At the last general assembly got to look at a budget and develop notes on what they could do with funding. Notes have been attached.

Topics for Upcoming Meetings
The next general assembly meeting is October 19, 2019 at the Tacoma Art Museum at 10am. The tentative agenda is as follow:

10:00 – 10:30 Welcome and Ice Breaker
10:30 – 11:00
11:00 – 12:00 Citizens Forum Planning
12:00 – 1:00 Lunch
1:00 – 2:30 Guest speakers work with committees
- S&EH - Joyce Ells, Tacoma Public Schools Nurse
- EA&C – Abigail Vizcarra Perez, Metro Parks Diversity Outreach Specialist
- J&S – Isaac Sotelo, Institute for Community Leadership Civic Engagement Leader
- O&B – Kenny Coble, City of Tacoma Community Engagement Manager

2:30 – 3:00 Commission Wrap-Up

Adjournment
At approximately 12:05 p.m., Chair Sissel adjourned the meeting for lunch.