

Youth Advisory Commission
General Meeting
Monday, February 27, 2006
4:00pm – 7:00pm
City Hall, Hearing Room #4
Oakland, CA 94612

Youth Present: Edward Baraona, Glenda Frost, Katrina Gilbert, Rocio Molina, Andy Nguyen, Rico Robinson,
Staff Present: Andrea Tacdol, Helen Wu, Aida Mariam
Community Member Present: Representatives from Alternatives to War Through Education and Military Out of Our Schools

MINUTES

1. Pre-Meeting Social Gathering
2. Meeting called to order by Andy Nguyen at 5:00PM.
3. Introductions and Ice Breakers facilitated by Nguyen and Mariam. Mariam and Wu, the new Youth Advisory Commission interns, introduced themselves.
4. Nguyen reviewed commission agreements. Frost brought up one new agreement: “no roasting.”
5. Meeting minutes were approved by youth. Tacdol mentioned that she will continue to look for a speaker on Oakland youth violence as suggested by Baraona at the last meeting.
6. Report Back
 - A. Meeting with the Mayor’s Staff: Tacdol updated youth that the mayor’s office has said that the youth will be appointed onto the commission at the March 21, 2006 City Council Meeting. Youth should save-the-date.
 - B. Youth VOTE: Mariam sent around sign-ups for the Y-Files interviews. She mentioned that only two youth were present at the last meeting. She shared possible interview questions.
 - C. Public Service Announcement Update: Robinson and Baraona went over their ideas for the PSA storyboard.
 - D. Youth Media Council Event: Tacdol was the only one to attend the event. She mentioned that Youth Media Council was doing surveys and trying to define their next campaign. Tacdol said it may be something the youth should watch and find out how they can support the work.

7. Old/New Business
 - A. Committee Break-Out
 - Public Service Announcement Committee Set-up a meeting for Wednesday, March 1, 2006 at 2:00PM.
 - Youth Vote Committee set-up a meeting for Wednesday, March 1, 2006 at 4:30PM. They also mentioned that they may try to do a video instead of a forum.

8. Presentation by Alternatives to War Through Education and Military Out of our Schools Bay Area: Presenters shared with youth survey results of Oakland and Berkeley High Schools on their views of the military, military recruitment and the war. Youth discussed the pros and cons of military recruitment. The suggested youth attend two upcoming events:
 - “Breaking Rank: Women of Color Soldiers Speak Out!”
Wednesday, March 8, 2006 from 6:30-9PM.
First Unitarian Church, 685 14th Street, Oakland, CA.
 - “It’s a Conspiracy of Hope! Another World Is Possible!”
Saturday, March 4 1006 at 4:30.
Uptown Body Shop, 401 26th Street @ Broadway.

9. Open Forum was canceled.

10. Items for new agenda and acting chair were not determined.

11. There was no announcements.

12. The meeting was adjourned at 7:18PM by Nguyen.