

Date: February 3 2016

**Draft CEYC General Assembly February Meeting Minutes**

Minutes Taker: Ian Smith

In Attendance:

1. Ravina Anand
2. Thomas Banks
3. Marina Banister
4. Tianna LeBlanc
5. Amy Boyd
6. Saga Darnell
7. Genna DiPinto
8. Alex MacRae-Korobkov
9. Angelika Matson
10. Kabir Nadkarni
11. Marlene Rong
12. Armaan Somani
13. Cam Somerville
14. Quinten Starko
15. Jasmine Wang
16. Jo Picard
17. Lauren White

Excused Absence:

1. Liza Chatterjee
2. Kelly Bennett

Unexcused Absence:

Others In Attendance:

1. Cllr. Andrew Knack
2. Ian Smith
3. Guest Speaker United Way Youth Campaign
4. Guest Speaker Kate Gunn EndPovertyEdmonton
5. Guest Speaker Joanne Minaker, Criminology Professor
6. Youth At Large members
7. Ward 12 ByElection Candidates
  - a. Jason Bale
  - b. Danisha Bhaloo
  - c. Mike Butler
  - d. Nick Chamchuck
  - e. Irfan Chaudhry
  - f. Andrew Gorman
  - g. Brian Henderson

- h. Dan Johnstone
- i. Terry McKinnon
- j. Field Pieterse
- k. Yash Sharma
- l. Arundeeep Singh Sandhu
- m. Jeri Stevens
- n. Nicole Szymanowka
- o. Preet Toor

1. **Ward 12 Candidate Mixer**-An informal mixer with Ward 12 byelection candidates occurred in Heritage Room **5:15-6:00**
2. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 6:03 by Marina B. and seconded Cameron S.

Recognition of Treaty 6 Land by Cameron S.

3. **Approval of Agenda:** Agenda was amended include:  
 "Return of Kings" Discussion to Current Topics (Saga D.)  
 "ECSD Letter Next Steps" update to Current Topics (Angelika M.)  
 "Solar Energy" presentation to Individual Updates (Kabir N, Elizabeth G.)
3. **Approval of Minutes:** December Minutes were reviewed and passed with minor amendments. Once minutes are approved an official approved copy is uploaded to both City of Edmonton and Youth Council websites.  
 Moved by Thomas B. Seconded by Armaan S.  
 Tianna L. abstained.

#### 4. **Presentations** **United Way Poverty Action Plan**

**Joanne Minaker**

#### **End Poverty Edmonton**

5. **Chair Updates:**
  - Let Marina know of possible questions you want to provide to WAVE for Ward 12 Candidates, as well if you want to write a blog post.
  - Begin thinking about applications for next term.
  - Cam will Chair march GA as Marina will be absent.
6. **Vice Chair Updates:**
  - Discussed involvement with NextGen/WAVE on "Get Out To Vote" social media campaign

- Cam has had various meetings with MLA's, Public and Catholic school trustees surrounding advocating CEYC's mandate and role.
- Moving forward only be two presentations for future meetings to allow time for regular business- Terra Centre/Clerk's office in March.

## **7. Subcommittee Updates**

### **Arts (Thomas B.)**

- ◆ Parka Patio Party March 12 4:30-6:30, CEYC is responsible for daytime programming including film screenings, digital platform, performances and auction, partnering with WinterCity and Latitude 53.
- ◆ Transit revitalization; revitalize space under Bay/Enterprise Square station that is not utilized. Seeking to create an underground youth arts district as a sustainable option to bring Arts into transit spaces. Thomas is sitting on a committee working on this.
- ◆ Looking into talent space bylaw for artists to perform in transit spaces and centres. 1% art initiative.
- ◆ Design Fair at Stanley Milner for youth art leaders to collaborate and learn from each other

### **City Planning & Infrastructure (Kabir N.)**

- ◆ Affordable Transportation: option for low income youth and partnering with EndPoverty Edmonton to include in need youth in input and development.
- ◆ Hosting fundraiser Feb 25 at latitude 53 to raise funds to obtain dollars for more transit passes for youth in need.
- ◆ Requested committee to use CEYC name when approaching for support or donations for event, was agreed upon. Focus Groups in May to discuss options.

### **Engagement (Genna D.)**

- ◆ Working on logistics and securing school presentation, will send out schedule to sign up for presenting to schools.
- ◆ Send all events to genna/Marlene to include in promotions.
- ◆ April 24 event Youth4YEG- encourage youth to go out and be involved in their City. Will include speakers, expo and resource area.
- ◆ Send dates for Feb/March for subcommittee meetings to Ravina.

### **Health and Wellness (Tianna L.)**

- ◆ Survey about barriers to recreation centres
- ◆ Social media campaign to share personal stories and photographs of youth
- ◆ Mental Health panel in City Hall May 31, will lead to policy recommendations Please share contacts such as social workers (high School), school counsellors to Tianna.

### **Social Equity (Jasmine W.)**

- ◆ Looking to create GSA template into an infographic
- ◆ Pop Up Shop is currently researching sponsorship options.
- ◆ Youth at large Member (Inna M.) is creating a follow up film to Through My Eyes to showcase and share the stories of youth at risk in Strathcona. If want to promote, produce, volunteer with this project please contact Inna or Jasmine.

## 10 **Current Topics**

### **Angelika M. ECSD Letter**

- ◆ revised to include government guidelines released, going forward to CSC on Feb 22. Revising scope to speak to all Alberta school boards, and request to write as CEYC.
- ◆ Catholic School Board Feb 16 third reading may potentially be delayed, members will speak at meeting and present as individuals, not CEYC.
- ◆ Overall looking to work with Administration to explore options to revise bylaw to streamline process to send letters etc.
- ◆ In past wording the report was interpreted by Councillors and Clerks that City Council would need to adopt this opinion to approve, not the case.

### **Solar Energy (Kabir N. Elizabeth G.)**

- Exploring options for proposal to showcase and foster discussions surrounding solar energy.
- Exploring the possibility of installing small/medium sized solar panels in City Hall
- Discussion around economic and political aspects of energy demand and supply in Alberta.
- In March will come back with:
  - ◆ Cost analysis and breaking point
  - ◆ Feasibility study to further pursue
  - ◆ Survey site for sunlight data
  - ◆ Energy demands and economic value to quantify results
  - ◆ Focus group options

### **Pride parade (Jo P.)**

- June 4, 2016 11AM, We have applied to participate and will be informed in April if we are successful in our application. Additionally Jo has been liaising with Accessibility Advisory Committee around recommendations for parking kiosks and accessibility at events (ice Castle).

### **Commonwealth Youth Council (Thomas B.):**

- CYC (Commonwealth Youth Council) is the largest and most diverse youth-led organization in the world. CYC plays an integral role in advancing the youth development agenda and co-ordination of activities and policies of the Commonwealth in the field of youth.
- Thomas has researched membership options and is in contact with the past Chairperson of the CYC.
- Motion agreed upon for Thomas to submit an application for Full membership at March GA

### **Social Media (Marina B.)**

- Discussion occurred around how we can continue to have an online presence that is centralized and cohesive messaging.
- Brand and image with unified content
- Awareness of page and build awareness and brand via social media channels
- Frequency of posting

### **Return of Kings**

- Saga D. began discussion around whether CEYC should take a stance on the Return of Kings meet-up in Edmonton

11      **Check Out With All Members**

**12. Meeting was adjourned by Marina B. Seconded by Cam S. at 8:28 PM**

Next meeting March General Assembly Committee Meeting, Cam will Chair 5:30 PM
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