

CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH

**Youth Council
Regular Meeting
Monday, March 12, 2012 – 6pm**

1. **Convened** 6:06 pm by Chair Burkhead

ROLL CALL

Present: Alyssa Wolfe
Brian Goldstone
Jessica Berman
Mason Lyle
Kristine Sanders
Natalie Cernius
Noah Howe
Ted Striegel
Sydney Dexter
Cayla Yasukochi
Logan Burkhead
Joshua Wolfe
Melis Gunay
Megan Bathan
Shea Ohill
Sophie Greensite
Monica Singer

Advisors: Karen Yelsey, Newport-Mesa Unified School District Board Member

Staff: Janet Cates, Recreation Manager
Jonathon Harmon, Recreation Supervisor

2. **GUEST SPEAKER: Mark Anderson – Newport Beach Farmer’s Market: “Healthy eating and the Benefits of Shopping at a Certified Farmer’s Market”** - Supervisor Harmon announced that Mr. Anderson was unable to attend.

3. **PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS**

None.

4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 13, 2012**

Motion by Youth Council Chair Burkhead to approve the minutes of February 13, 2012. Motion carried by acclamation.

5. **CURRENT BUSINESS**

A. Youth Government Day Recap – Supervisor Harmon reviewed the events of the day and commented on the low response from the high school students. Discussion ensued regarding the many conflicts with teachers, assignments, sports, testing and the Living History project at Corona del Mar High School. Manager Cates suggested moving the event to the fall semester to align with Government classes, but that was vetoed due to college application deadlines. More effort will be made to announce the date early so students can inform instructors.

6. **YOUTH COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS, UPDATES OR MATTERS WHICH MEMBERS WOULD LIKE PLACED ON A FUTURE AGENDA FOR DISCUSSION, ACTION OR REPORT**

A. Environmental Action Corps Update: Supervisor Harmon that another project involving plant restoration on the Back Bay was in progress. An email announcing the date will be forthcoming in the next few weeks.

B. Youth Track & Field Meet on April 20, 2012: Supervisor Harmon announced that sign-ups will be taken at the meeting and an email will be sent to all missing members encouraging them to volunteer. Chairman Burkhead announced that this event was mandatory for all Youth Council members.

C. Tobacco Prevention Project for America on Track: Supervisor Harmon reported for Shayne Garcia on the accumulated service hours of various Youth Council members: Shea Ohill – 5 hours; April Tran – 4 hours; Narcisse Izadi – 4 hours. The next event will be in April.

D. Friday Night Club for Special Needs Teens: Youth Council Member Cernius stated that they will meet on Friday, March 16 from 7-10 pm at the United Cerebral Palsy center in Irvine and will feature a March Madness theme and Just Dance. All students are encouraged to wear their favorite basketball jersey.

7. NEXT MEETING DATE

The next Regular Meeting of the Youth Council will be Monday, April 9, 2012. NMUSD Board Member Yelsey reminded the Youth Council that this meeting will occur during spring break.

8. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Dan Purcell commented on the status of the Civic Center schedule and City Council liaison attendance at the Youth Council meetings.

4. ADJOURNED at 6:45 pm.

Submitted by: _____
Janet Cates, Recreation Manager

Approved by: _____
Logan Burkhead, Chairman