

**MINUTES**  
OPEN NANAIMO YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING  
BOARD ROOM, SERVICE AND RESOURCE CENTRE  
411 DUNSMUIR STREET, NANAIMO, BC  
WEDNESDAY, 2018-JUN-20, AT 4:30 P.M.

---

PRESENT:   Members:   Michael Ribicic, Chair  
                                  Nicola McColl  
                                  Aakash Pawar  
                                  Clare Shuley  
                                  Claudia Thompson  
                                  Henry Waatainen

                  Absent:   Councillor J. Hong  
                                  Erin Burnley  
                                  Melanie Devjayanth  
                                  Katrin Hannesson

                  Staff:     Karin Kronstal, Social Planner  
                                  Peggi Humphreys, Recording Secretary

1.    CALL THE NANAIMO YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING TO ORDER:

Michael Ribicic, Chair, acknowledged that the meeting was being held on the traditional territory of the Snuneymuxw First Nation.

The Open Nanaimo Youth Advisory Council Meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m.

2.    ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

It was moved and seconded that the Agenda be adopted. The motion carried unanimously.

3.    ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

It was moved and seconded that the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Nanaimo Youth Advisory Council held in the Service and Resource Centre, 411 Dunsmuir Street, Nanaimo, BC, on Wednesday, 2018-MAY-16 at 4:30 p.m. be adopted as circulated. The motion carried unanimously.

4. REPORTS:

(a) Silly Boat Regatta Participation (Discussion)

Committee members discussed the event schedule and requirements for the Silly Boat Regatta event on 2018-JUL-15. The logistics considered included member availability, knowledge of building a boat, and fundraising requirements.

It was moved and seconded that the Nanaimo Youth Advisory Council not participate in the 2018 Silly Boat Regatta. The motion carried unanimously.

(b) Bathtub Weekend Dunk Tank (Discussion)

Plans were discussed for hosting a dunk tank as part of Bathtub Weekend to raise funds in support of Nanaimo FoodShare's lunch program. The dunk tank will be supplied by Jerry Hong and operated by Nanaimo Youth Advisory Council members from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday, 2018-JUL-21. Members will establish a work schedule amongst themselves. Michael Ribicic, Chair, will issue invitations for people to be dunked. Invitations will be sent to the Mayor, Council members, other government officials, firefighters, police, and local celebrities. The public will pay by donation for a chance to dunk someone.

(c) Union of BC Municipalities (UBCM) Conference Participation (Discussion)

Committee members reviewed the Union of BC Municipalities (UBCM) website and discussed the requirements to participate in the UBCM Convention in Whistler happening September 10-14, 2018.

It was moved and seconded that the Nanaimo Youth Advisory Council (NYAC) request that Staff research the following information regarding participation in the 2018 UBCM Convention:

- research the costs of registration, travel and accommodation for one night in Whistler in order for NYAC members to participate in the 2018 UBCM Convention;
- obtain confirmation from UBCM Convention organizers that NYAC has been accepted as a workshop presenter; and,
- present the findings for consideration at the next Nanaimo Youth Advisory Council meeting scheduled for 2018-JUL-18.

The motion carried unanimously.

(d) 2018 Strategic Directions for Nanaimo Youth Advisory Council

Michael Ribicic, Chair, spoke regarding the specified Strategic Directions for the Nanaimo Youth Advisory Council for 2018: transportation, youth poverty and events. The focus on all three directions is ongoing, and new ideas of how to address these issues are welcome.

Michael Ribicic, Chair, advised that the Nanaimo Youth Advisory Council's participation in the Pride Parade event on 2018-JUN-09 was a fun experience that

