

MINUTES
OPEN NANAIMO YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING
BOARD ROOM, SERVICE AND RESOURCE CENTRE
411 DUNSMUIR STREET, NANAIMO, BC
WEDNESDAY, 2018-MAY-16 AT 4:30 P.M.

PRESENT: Members: Michael Ribicic, Chair
 Councillor J. Hong
 Erin Burnley
 Melanie Devjayanth
 Katrin Hannesson
 Clare Shuley
 Henry Waatainen

 Absent: Nicola McColl
 Aakash Pawar
 Claudia Thompson

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

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

The Open Nanaimo Youth Advisory Council Meeting was called to order at 4:40 p.m.

2. INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS

- (a) Michael Ribicic, Chair, advised that he would like to add under Agenda Item 7(c) Other Business regarding New Members of the Nanaimo Youth Advisory Council, and move it forward in the agenda before Agenda Item 5 Reports.

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

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

4. 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-APR-18 at 4:30 p.m. be adopted as circulated. The motion carried unanimously.

5. OTHER BUSINESS

(a) New Members – Nanaimo Youth Advisory Council

Michael Ribicic, Chair, welcomed two new members selected by Council for the Nanaimo Youth Advisory Council: Melanie Devjayanth and Katrin Hannesson. One more new member, Nicole McColl, has been selected but was absent.

Round table introductions from the current and new members and a discussion of the committee structure and strategic goals for the Nanaimo Youth Advisory Council (transportation, youth poverty, and events) followed.

6. REPORTS:

(a) Union of BC Municipalities (UBCM) 2018 Convention Application – Discussion

Nanaimo Youth Advisory Council members discussed ideas of how to participate in the UBCM Convention happening in Whistler in September 2018. Collaborating with youth councils from other municipalities on Vancouver Island was considered. Topics proposed for a presentation at a 45-minute clinic at the event included how to form a youth council; how governments can better engage youth; and, affordable housing for youth. Members are also interested in putting on a fun, practical exercise with participants in the hotel lobby to create interest in youth-related issues.

Karin Kronstal, Social Planner, will confirm the City of Nanaimo's rules of liability for travel for youth under 18 years old.

It was moved and seconded that the Chair of the Nanaimo Youth Advisory Council work with staff to complete the application to participate in the 2018 Union of British Columbia Municipalities Conference before the 2018-JUN-08 submission deadline. The motion carried unanimously.

5. OTHER BUSINESS: (continued)

(b) Information Item: Immigrant Welcome Ceremony – 2018-JUN-23

Nanaimo Youth Advisory Council members received invitations to the Immigrant Welcome Ceremony being hosted by the City of Nanaimo on 2018-JUN-23.

(c) Information Item: Nanaimo Heritage Festival – 2018-MAY-20

Information about the Nanaimo Heritage Festival was received. It was noted that the City of Nanaimo will host a booth at this event but there was not enough time for the Nanaimo Youth Advisory Council to consider participating since it would take place only four days later. Discussion ensued regarding participation in some of the upcoming summer festivals in Nanaimo.

It was moved and seconded that the Nanaimo Youth Advisory Council participate in the Silly Boat Regatta on 2018-JUL-15 to raise funds for the Child Development Centre. The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved and seconded that the Nanaimo Youth Advisory Council participate in a dunk tank as part of the Bathtub Days Street Fair on 2018-JUL-21 with funds raised to be donated to the Nanaimo Foodshare Lunch Program. The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved and seconded that the Nanaimo Youth Advisory Council participate in the Nanaimo Pride Parade on 2018-JUN-09. The motion carried unanimously.

Staff will register the Nanaimo Youth Advisory Council members for the events.

7. QUESTION PERIOD:

No one in attendance wished to ask questions.

8. ADJOURNMENT:

It was moved and seconded at 5:36 p.m. that the meeting terminate. The motion carried unanimously.

CHAIR

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

CORPORATE OFFICER