

Youth Commission Meeting

DRAFT MINUTES

Monday, September 11, 2023, at 6:30pm
Martin Luther King Jr. Youth Services Center/YAP
1730 Oregon St., Berkeley CA 94703

The Commission may discuss any items listed on the agenda but may take action only on items identified as Action.

1. Call to Order (Vice Chair) 6:45pm
2. Roll Call (Secretary) Present: Weisberg, Chokkalingam, Morgan, Sanders, Jensen and Powell (late). Absent: Thompson and Bell
3. Approval of Agenda (Vice Chair) M/S/Chokkalingam/Weisberg; Aye's: Jensen, Sanders and Morgan Noe's: None. Abstain: Powell. Absent: Bell and Thompson.
4. Approval of Minutes for May 08, 2023 (Vice Chair) M/S/Weisberg/Sanders; Aye's: Chokkalingam and Morgan. Noe's: None. Abstain: Jensen and Powell. Absent Bell and Thompson.
5. Public Comments (2 min)
6. Chair's Announcements (Chair)
7. Director's Report
8. Introductions (Chair)
9. Discussion: Youth Commission Workplan 2023-24
10. Adjourn : 7:34pm, M/S/Chokkalingham/Sanders; Aye's: Weisberg, Chokkalingam, Morgan, Sanders, Jensen and Powell. Noe's: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Thompson and Bell

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Bartlett	Vacant	BUSD/Student Director	Vacant
Harrison	Marcel Jenson	BUSD/ Culter	Vacant
Hahn	Django Morgan	BUSD	Ki’ donyae Bell
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1. Call to Order (Chair) 6:33PM
2. Roll Call (Secretary) Present: Weisberg, Khan-Akselrod, Chokkalingam, Morgan, Sanders, Thompson, Brown, Bell and Powell.
3. Approval of Agenda (Chair)
4. Approval of Minutes for April 10, 2023 (Chair)
5. Public Comments (2 min)
6. Chair's Announcements (Chair)
7. Director's Report
8. Introductions (Chair)
9. Youth Commission responsibility (Secretary)
10. Action: Youth Commission Workplan 2023-24
M/S/Thompson/Chokkalingam; Aye's: Weisberg, Khan-Akselrod, Chokkalingam, Morgan, Sanders, Thompson, Brown, Bell and Powell. Noe's: None.
11. Adjourn : 7pm, M/S/Thompson/Brown; Aye's: Weisberg, Khan-Akselrod, Chokkalingam, Morgan, Sanders, Thompson, Brown, Bell and Powell. Noe's: None.

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City of Berkeley Youth Commission Work Plan

Mission: Identifies the needs of youth, reviews, and recommends youth services and programs.

Activity	Resources	Next Step	Goal
Mental health (survey at BUSD)	BHS student leadership Wellness and Support Project BHS BUSD administration Existing mental health counselors/health center staff at BUSD	Form a mental health subcommittee in the Youth Commission.	To increase the quality of mental health care and resources at Berkeley Public Schools.
Improving school lunch within BUSD	Meatless Mondays Club Meal coordinator within BUSD	Survey students about their experience with school lunch.	To improve lunch options at Berkeley High.
Expanding access to free meals	Meal coordinator within BUSD Organizers of current/past grocery pickup in Berkeley	Meet with BUSD admin about current and past projects that provide meals and groceries.	To expand free meal/grocery access to people in Berkeley.
Bathrooms at BHS	Principal Raygoza Janitorial staff	Identify specific issues relating to the bathrooms.	To improve the quality of student bathrooms at Berkeley High School.
School Resource Center	Principal Raygoza Ms. Parker (Parent Resource Center)	Reaching out to Ms. Parker to see what resources already exist and their status with the resource center.	To help supplement existing resources to increase the number of resources available to BUSD students and families experiencing homelessness, housing insecurity, and poverty.
BTA Carrer Center	Mr. Laurel Principal Weber (BTA Principal)	Email Mr. Laurel to clarify the rules for BTA students going to the CCC.	To increase access to college and career support for students attending BTA either within the school or through the

			CCC on the Berkeley High School campus.
BTA Nurse	Principal Weber (BTA Principal)	Email the BTA Prinicpal to ask about the limitations to the number of days with a nurse.	To increase the number of days that BTA students have access to health services requiring a nurse.