MINUTES

Regular YC Meeting Notice and Agenda of the Gardena Youth Commission Monday, July 14, 2025

The Regular YC Meeting Notice and Agenda of the Gardena Youth Commission of the City of Gardena, California, was called to order at 6:30 PM on Monday, July 14, 2025, in the Nakaoka Community Center Auditorium.

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

 Anaiya Bowers called the meeting to order at 6:36 pm, seconded by Samantha Badillo-Cordero.

2. ROLL CALL

Present Members: Samantha Badillo-Cordero, Aidan Madison, Anaiya Bowers, and Abisola Ogundimu.

- I. Present during the meeting:
 - Samantha Badillo-Cordero
 - Aidan Madison
 - Anaiya Bowers
 - Abisola Ogundimu
- II. Absent Commissioners:
 - Damilola Ogundimu
 - Anaiyah Harris

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

• Samantha Badillo-Cordero recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

• No Public Comments.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made to approve by Anaiya Bowers, seconded by Abisola Ogundimu, and passed by the following vote to approve.

Ayes: Samantha Badillo-Cordero, Aidan Madison, Anaiya Bowers,

Abisola Ogundimu

Noes: None

Absent: Damilola Ogundimu, Anaiyah Harris

6. YOUTH COMMISSIONER REPORT

1. Cinco De Mayo Parade

No Report

2. Older Americans and Mental Health Celebration

No Report

- 3. Boys to Men Workshop
 - Great food, good feedback
 - Youth commissioners desire to follow up with vendors to ensure they're attending.
 - o For future events, table at school on "Fun Fridays" to reach more youth.
 - Potential table at future football games.
- 4. Community Care Day
 - Good Activities that people enjoyed

7. STAFF LIASON REPORT

- 1. Summer Block Party, Tuesday, August 5th, 2025
 - o Activity will be assisting with games and food booths.
 - o Anaiya, Abisola, and Sam will be present at the Summer Block Party.
- 2. Future Plans for Commissioners
 - Aging Out
 - Interested in knowing if members can zoom in.
 - New Applications
 - The commissioners should look into new applications for commissioners.
 - Anaiya's sister is interested in applying for the Youth Commission.
- 3. Commissioners' Birthday
 - Abisola Ogundimu turning 17 in September 2025
 - o Samantha Badillo- Cordero just turned 19 in April 2025
 - o Aidan Madison just turned 18 in March 2025
 - o Damilola Ogundimu just turned 18 in February 2025, attending UCI
 - o Anaiya Bowers turning 17 in September 2025
- 4. Teen Events for Next Year
 - Teen Pool Party
 - Hangout, learn how to swim, teen water safety, teen first aid
 - Friendship Group
 - Help teens socialize and create a support group.
 - College Fair, Job Training, Internships
 - There is a desire for a college fair, but some other organizations have fairs as well.
 - El Camino College has a fair in April.
 - A potential event can be done in August.
 - Invite Trade Schools.
 - Workshops for College, Scholarships, Resume Prep
 - Tips to prepare when going to college
 - SAT Preparation
 - Preparing a Resume
 - Applying the Scholarship
 - Preparing Personal Statement.
- 5. Theme for City Council Presentation September 23rd (2024, ex: reducing number of Commissioners required)
 - New events/Programs
 - Commissioners are interested in extending the age from 19 to 20 years old.

- 6. Youth Commission Expectations
- 1. COMMUNICATE with Staff Liaison (SL)
 - If you can not attend a meeting, please notify SL
 - If you confirmed you are attending a meeting/event and can no longer attend, notify SL ASAP
 - If you can not report to an event at the time we requested, please notify SL.
 - If you have any questions, ask SL (event arrival time, wearing YC shirt, etc.)
- 2. Attend meetings ON TIME
- 3. Wearing your Youth Commission Shirts and Name Tags during events.
- 4. Sharing Teen Events Information with the Public
- 5. This will be Dianna's last meeting, and Jocelyn will be taking over as Staff Liaison.
- 6. Aidan led the Pledge of Allegiance at the June City Council Meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

• Samantha Badillo-Cordero will be leaving for the Marines in late August.

9. OLD BUSINESS

A motion was made by Aniaya Bowers to appoint Kyle Chin to be a Youth Commissioner after reviewing his application, seconded by Aidan Madison, and approved by Abisola Ogundimu. The motion was approved.

Ayes:

Samantha Badillo-Cordero, Aidan Madison, Anaiya Bowers,

Abisola Ogundimu

Noes:

None

Absent:

Damilola Ogundimu, Anaiyah Harris

10. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Abisola Ogundimu to adjourn the meeting at 7:27 pm.

Ayes:

Samantha Badillo-Cordero, Aidan Madison, Anaiya Bowers,

Abisola Ogundimu

Noes:

None

Absent:

Damilola Ogundimu, Anaiyah Harris

MINA SEMENZA City Clerk of the City of Gardena and Ex-officio Clerk of the Council

APPROVED:

Nikki Sweeney, Recreation Program Administrator

Becky Romero, Deputy City Clerk