



# Hamilton

## **MINUTES**

Hamilton Youth Advisory Committee  
Tuesday September 18, 2012

**Lister Block Building, 28 James Street North, Basement Meeting Room.**

**5:00 – 7:00 p.m.**

**Present:** Co-Chairs: To be determined  
Members: Fan Yang, Michelle Leach, Don Mahleka,  
Mikayla Zolis, Ahmad Ahmad, Alex Fiorello, Alina  
Protopopescu, Becky Schmor, Camilo Sanchez-Galindo,  
Daniel Sanchez-Galindo, Fiorella Villanueva-Heldmaier,  
Jackson Virgin-Holland, Joselin Marcaccio, Lauren Hicks,  
Liam Askwith, Marten Kaas, Nashwa Khan, Nicole  
Lachapelle, Sarah Medeiros, Alexandra da Silva

**Absent with Regrets:** Councillor Jackson, David Boruch, Lauren Hansen,  
Michael Pratas, Alex Ramirez, Daniel Puglia, Ryan  
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**Also Present:** René Reid, Mark Weingartner, Hannah Tobias-Murray

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### **A. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR/VICE CHAIR OR COCHAIRS, COMMITTEE SECRETARY & TIMEKEEPER/MANAGER – Deferred until October meeting**

#### **1. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA**

None

#### **2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None

#### **3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

**3.1** Name omitted from June minutes was added. Approval of meeting minutes from June 2012 were deferred. (I)

#### **4. PRESENTATIONS**

**4.1** Meeting hand-outs, confirm contact information

**4.2** Group Introductions

**4.3** General Housekeeping Items

- 4.4** Volunteer Committee Procedural Handbook
- 4.3** Robert's Rules 101
- 4.4** Website Tour – TOR etc.
- 4.5** HYAC Monthly Calendars
- 4.6** Brief History of HYAC

**5. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**5.1** Small group discussion & present-back about how HYAC can become more involved in the community and about issues of interest to the committee. Items discussed can be found in the appendix.

**GENERAL INFORMATION & OTHER BUSINESS**

**6.1** TO2015 Pan/Parapan Am Games Opportunity: Michael Pratas has been selected to sit on this committee. Please refer to the appendix for more information.

**ADJOURNMENT**

That, there being no further business, the meeting be adjourned at 7:00p.m.

**Next meeting October 16th.**

**(Sanchez Galindo/Fiorello)**

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**Appendix**

**Community Involvement & Items of interest to HYAC**

1. Youth Week Hamilton 2013
  2. Habitat for Humanity
  3. Kiwanis Haunted House
- Explore Your Community
  - Expansion of existing poverty initiatives
  - Urban Modern Playgrounds
  - Better/more frequent Go Transit to Hamilton
  - Mental Health initiatives
  - City-wide Youth Volunteer Day
  - A cleaner & more youth-friendly downtown
  - Air conditioning for schools
  - Funding for school breakfast programs
  - Student friendly/cheaper public transit
  - Connectedness with students from other schools
  - School presentations or advertisements (about HYAC?)
  - Break stigma of youth (un)employment
  - Youth friendly space/activities
  - Recreational poverty
  - Advertise Youth Week
  - Advertise HYAC

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- Establish community partners
- Narrow purpose of Youth Week Hamilton
- Focus on other youth engagements
- Look to the community partners already established
- Unfiltered Facts – interactive booth
- Résumé workshop – youth focus
- Youth focused/driven report (to Council)
- Social Justice Fair - HWDSB

### **Toronto 2015 Pan/Parapan American Games**

Toronto 2015 Pan/Parapan American Games is pleased to invite you to nominate or self-nominate a candidate for our Youth Advisory Council (YAC). The YAC is a group of 15 to 20 youth from diverse backgrounds across the Greater Golden Horseshoe region that will act as an official committee to the TO2015 Pan/Parapan American Games. Ranging in age from **16-24**, the council will plan and implement a relevant and engaging youth-focused initiative or signature program that celebrates and highlights the Games.

This is a once-in-a-life-time opportunity to act as an advisory to the largest multi-sporting event in Canada-a chance to meet new people and make meaningful connections, create engaging and meaningful initiatives and gain volunteer recognition and develop skills.

For more information, instructions on the (self)nomination process and the nomination form, please visit our website <http://www.toronto2015.org/lang/en/get-involved/community-initiatives/councils/youth-advisory-council.html> .

The deadline for nominations is **June 1, 2012**.