



Hamilton

MINUTES

Hamilton Youth Advisory Committee
Tuesday, August 16, 2011
5:00 p.m.
Room CH264, 2nd Floor
City Hall
71 Main Street West, Hamilton

Present: Chair: (To be determined)
Vice-Chair: (To be determined)
Members: Alex Fiorello, Lauren Hansen,
Michael Pratas

**Absent with
Regrets:** Councillor Jackson, Meg Chalmers, Natascha Del Prete, Jessika
Del Prete, Fabian Ahmed, Zil Nasir, Mohammad Nasir, Michelle
Leach, Fan Yang, Alexander Ramirez, Julie Ling Ma, Mikayla Zolis,
David Boruch, Don Mahleka, Mark Weingartner

Also Present: Heather McCully, Youth Engagement Coordinator, Unfiltered
Facts: Hamilton Crew for Action Against Tobacco, Public Health
Services, Hamilton
Camilo Sanchez, Intern, Unfiltered Facts: Hamilton Crew for
Action Against Tobacco, Public Health Services, Hamilton
René Reid

1. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None were made

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

3.1 No revisions were required by those in attendance. Minutes were not approved as there was not quorum.

4. PRESENTATIONS

- 4.1 General Items & Introductions – everyone went around the table and introduced themselves
- 4.2 Volunteer Committee Procedures and Handbook/Robert's Rules – René distributed copies of the Volunteer Committee Procedural Handbook prepared by the Office of the City Clerk, Legislative Section, and a visual of how Robert's Rules of Order works. René did a walk-through of the handouts and explained the visuals.
- 4.3 Unfiltered Facts Project: The Unfiltered Facts Summit 2011, '*Spark the Movement, Ignite the Change*' is taking place Tuesday November 8th Heather McCully & Camilo Sanchez updated us on the status of the Summit so far and provided a tentative agenda for the day. This event is expected to draw 300 to 400 youth from across Hamilton and is partnering with Mohawk College. Students from various college programs will also be assisting during this event. The event will provide youth with the hands-on skills they need to launch their own advocacy events. Youth will not be sitting, they will actually be doing while they learn. HYAC is invited to participate and has been asked to lead the bus tour breakout sessions, a variation on the bus tour planned for August 30th. Also, new this year, is Unfiltered Facts 'After Dark' ! A fun, inclusive and safe event for all youth to celebrate, unwind and reflect on what they have learned. Unfiltered Facts Summit planning meetings will be taking place August 22, September 12 and 26 @ 1447 Upper Ottawa St. Call ahead to confirm meeting times and unit number at 905 546-2424 X7028
- 4.4 Alex Fiorello and Camillo Sanchez, updated the committee on the status of The Hamilton Youth Engagement Initiative. Alex updated the committee on the completed proposal and highlighted some of the specifics. Camilo provided an updated concerning the outcome of some of their public events to date. Copies of the proposal were distributed to committee members in attendance.
- 4.5 Ice breaker/Team Building exercise – deferred

DISCUSSION ITEMS

- 5.1 HYAC Committee Membership Status Update – HYAC's official membership now stands at 16 members. Four of the previously appointed members were either unable to be contacted or indicated that they did not have time for the committee. Quorum for HYAC is now 9.
- 5.2 HYAC Terms of Reference, Roles and Elections: - deferred
- 5.3 Youth in Motion Hamilton Tour Update – HYAC's Youth-in-Motion Bus tour is a go! Group discussed the merits of such and activity and how it will assist youth with planning events of their own and enhance their knowledge and understanding of their City. Poster and consent forms are being distributed to various youth groups. Michael Pratas stepped up to

offer some of his skills with game and activities during the tour. René and Michael to connect to work out the details

- 5.4 Unfiltered Facts Summit – please refer to 4.3
- 5.5 Youth Engagement : Forming our own definition – deferred
- 5.6 National Youth Week May 1-7, 2012 & HYAC's objectives and focus:
How combining and collaboration can work to engage youth –basic discussion around such an event. All agreed they can see the potential of this event and our ability to engage a variety of youth groups and youth city-wide. More discussion will take place at future meetings.

OTHER BUSINESS & GENERAL INFORMATION

- 6.1 Meeting Evaluation and Feedback -deferred
- 6.2 Bus Tickets- were distributed to those who needed them.

7. ADJOURNMENT

(Reid/Prata)

That, there being no further business, the meeting be adjourned at 6:30p.m.