



Hamilton

MINUTES

Hamilton Youth Advisory Committee
Tuesday, October 18, 2011
5:00 p.m.
Room CH264, 2nd Floor
City Hall
71 Main Street West, Hamilton

Present: Co-Chair: Alex Fiorello
Co-Chair: Fabian Ahmed
Members: Lauren Hansen, Michael Pratas, Meg Chalmers,
Alexander Ramirez, Julie Ling Ma, Mikayla Zolis,
David Boruch,

**Absent with
Regrets:** Councillor Jackson, Natascha Del Prete, Jessika Del
Prete, Zil Nasir, Mohammad Nasir, Michelle Leach,
Fan Yang, Don Mahleka

Also Present: René Reid, Mark Weingartner, Samantha M., Julia V.
Lorenzo

1. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

The order of items 5.6 and 5.1 was changed so that item 5.6 became the first item. All other items were then discussed based on need for a decision.

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 from May, June, July, August and September were approved.

(Pratas/Ramirez)

4. PRESENTATIONS

4.1 General Items & Introductions – everyone went around the table and introduced themselves

4.2 Ice Breaker/Team Builder – With everyone standing on a tarp, the challenge was to flip the tarp onto the other side without stepping off of the tarp.

5. DISCUSSION ITEMS

5.1 The "Citizen Declaration Form" sent by the City's Clerks Division was again distributed. Some of the HYAC members present at the meeting signed the form and returned it to René

5.2 Youth in Motion Hamilton Tour Summary -deferred

5.3 HYAC's Year End Summary to Council – Alex Fiorello volunteered to present the summary to Council Dec. 7, 2011.

5.4 Unfiltered Facts Summit -deferred

5.5 HYAC Terms of Reference, Roles and Elections

Alex Fiorello motioned to select a Chair, and it was seconded by Lauren Hansen, all voted in favour.

Lauren Hansen motioned to select Co-Chairs, and it was seconded by Michael Pratas. All voted in favour.

Alex Fiorello and Fabian Ahmed were nominated and voted to be Co-Chairs of HYAC. Alex and Fabian accepted the nominations.

5.6 National Youth Week May 1-7, 2012 & HYAC's objectives and focus

Alex Ramirez motioned that HYAC host Youth Week in May 2012 and it was seconded by Fabian Ahmed. All voted in favour.

Alex Ramirez motioned that by the next meeting in November, a HYAC subcommittee would have a Youth Week Communication Strategy worked out. It was seconded by Fabian Ahmed. Majority voted in favour.

Discussion took place about Youth Week and some ideas were generated:

Why would I go?

- Hang with friends
- Meet new people
- Collaboration

What's in it for me?

- Fun
- Something to do
- Maybe learn new things
- Pride – there are lots of us, showcase the achievements of young people
- Share the passion
- Self-discovery opportunities

Personal/Professional Development

- Speakers
- Leadership development opportunities

6. ADJOURNMENT

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

(Fiorello/Pratas)