



Notice of the Meeting Minutes of the Youth Advisory Council

Pursuant to A.R.S. 38.431.02, this notice is hereby given to the members of the Metropolitan Education Commission and to the public that the Metropolitan Education Commission will hold a virtual meeting.

August 16th, 2023 from 5:00 to 6:00 pm via Zoom Meeting Link:
<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88609394990?pwd=aVpRTZFODVkrMfyMGxCTDlvVVJwdz09>

Agendas will be available to the public at the Metropolitan Education Commission website at metedu.org and at the office 1080 S. 10th Avenue, Tucson, Arizona.

Dated this 16th day of August, 2023

1.0 Call to Order Christopher Amanat

- Meeting called to order at 5:06PM

2.0 Roll Call Christopher Amanat

1. Christopher Amanat
2. Nina Raju
3. Emilia Kim
4. Jude Poirier
5. Anthony Akator Jr.
6. Alejandra Tavera-Reyes
7. Estelle Lee
8. Katie Rose Wilbur

3.0 Pledge of Allegiance and Land Acknowledgement Christopher Amanat

We honor the tribal nations who have served as caretakers of this land from time immemorial and respectfully acknowledge the ancestral homelands of the Tohono O'odham Nation and the multi-millennial presence of the Pascua Yaqui Tribe within Pima County. Consistent with Pima County's commitment to diversity and inclusion, we strive toward building equal-partner relationships with Arizona's tribal nations.



4.0 Welcoming New Members

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5.0 Leadership and Elections

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- Introducing New Commissioners
 - Two new applications
 - Jude and Alejandro were selected to be MEC Youth Commissioners
 - Chelsea is the new MEC staff facilitator for the YAC
- [Article III, Section IV] 2023-2024 Elections Week of 9/8/23
 - Hold election during portion of CED agenda
 - Apply via the electronic YAC Application by 9/6/23
 - Provide a brief oral speech at elections

6.0 Civic Engagement Day Updates

Katie Wilbur

- Now taking place in Tucson at the MEC office
- Current legislatures scheduled:
 - 10 AM (in-person)
 - 11:30AM (in-person)
 - 12:30PM (virtual)
- 3 pending invitations
- Nina will create the event agenda
- (Jude) How will the CED funding be used now that we are not going to Phoenix?
 - (Emilia) The funding is being redistributed across YAC programming.

7.0 Recruitment Objectives [Article III, Section IV]

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- Nina, Emilia, and Chelsea are finalizing the 23-24 flier
- Recruitment will start following the YAC Strategic Planning meeting

8.0 Goals for this Year

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- Scheduling recurring general meetings



- (Jude) Suggestion to hold monthly general meetings the second weekend of every month, to meet the week prior to the monthly MEC meetings
- (Chelsea) With Daisy, we will be sure to get the MEC meeting agenda out prior the the YAC meetings
- Second Sunday of each month from 4-5PM
 - Chelsea will send the 23-24 YAC General Meeting schedule
- Attendance policy review
 - Section 1: Members are allowed four unexcused absences in a one-year period.
 - Section 2: Excused absences may be secured at least 24 hours in advance by the YAC member contacting the Secretary and MEC Program Assistant.
- Schedule Strategic Planning session to review and edit YAC Mission Statement
 - (Chris) Do we do it earlier or wait until we have more new members join? Potentially delay to late September or October.
 - (Jude) Could be better to host prior to new members joining to let new members know that there is a clear YAC pathway forward. This could make recruitment easier.
 - (Nina) More time for further consideration
 - Emilia will send out LettuceMeet to finalize Strategic Planning Session date over Slack

9.0 Opening up to the Floor

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- YAC 101 Professional Development Skills: Creating an email signature (Chelsea)
 - Members interested in this as a part of the general meetings
- Article IV, Section II - Proposal to change language throughout bylaws from “MEC Program Assistant” to “MEC Staff Facilitator” at upcoming meeting (Chelsea)
 - Approved to be voted on at upcoming general meeting



10.0 Adjournment

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- Meeting adjourned at 6:04PM

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