



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.

September 10th, 2023 | 4-5 PM
MEC Office | 1080 S 10th Ave, Tucson, AZ 85701

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 10th day of September, 2023

1.0 Call to Order

Emilia Kim

- Meeting called to order at 4:10 pm

2.0 Roll Call

Emilia Kim

1. Emilia
2. Nina
3. Allison
4. Katie Rose
5. Nishita
6. Christopher
7. Tanish
8. Joyeuse
9. Jude

3.0 Pledge of Allegiance and Land Acknowledgement

Emilia Kim

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 Guest Presentation: League of Women Voters of Arizona

- Overview

Francesca Pardes & Kate Stewart



- Register and inform people of how to vote
- Host candidate forums
- Lobbying for voting rights
- Non-partisan
- How can the organization reach youth? What do youth want in an organization such as this?
- Plan to have students register others at their own schools
- What does the League do to encourage voter turnout? - Emilia
 - Meet with community organizations
 - Early voting registration encourages researched decisions
 - Young people who vote once or twice are more likely to continue
- How does your organization tell people how to go about voting? - Emilia
 - Ballotpedia - informs voters of elected official's history
 - Vote 411 - send questions to candidates posts their responses
- Presentations to high schools:
 - Website that shows students what their Representatives voted on

5.0 Leadership and Members Updates

Christopher Amanat

- New leadership announcements
 - President- Emilia Kim
 - Vice President- Christopher Amanat
 - Secretary- Nina Raju
 - Treasurer- Joyeuse
 - Commissioners - Jude and Alejandro
- New member: Tanish

6.0 Finances

Emilia Kim

- Financial Wishlist (How does a \$1,000/year budget sound?)
 - *Teen Town Hall
 - *Civic Engagement Day
 - Educational committee hearing
 - Business cards
 - Tabling/event at Tucson Meet Yourself/TFOB (registration, materials)
 - Merch - T-shirts, water bottles, hoodies?

7.0 Civic Engagement Day Updates

Katie Wilbur

- Met with Rep. Diaz and Rep. Gutierrez
- Meeting with Gabaldon scheduled tentatively for Thursday

8.0 Strategic Planning Update

Chelsea Forer



- Chelsea will complete strategic planning documentation this coming week.
- Nina and Nishita will work on poster

9.0 Recruitment Objectives

Christopher Amanat

- Finish recruitment poster
- Focus on schools not included in the YAC
- Rolling Recruitment
- Online vs In Person:
 - Hybrid, In-person only, every other meeting in-person
 - Nina will send out google form after meeting with voting form

10.0 Professional Development Skills Building

Chelsea Forer

- Creating an email signature

11.0 Opening up to the Floor

Christopher Amanat

- Motion to vote: Article IV, Section II - Proposal to change language throughout bylaws from “MEC Program Assistant” to “MEC Staff Facilitator” at upcoming meeting
 - Motion: Christopher Amanat
 - Second: Katie Wilbur
 - Motion passes unanimously
- YAC Introductions at September MEC Commissioner Meeting 9/20 4-5:30PM
 - Open to whole YAC, especially board members
- Tucson Meet Yourself volunteering 10/13-15
- Start planning for TTH 2/9/23
- Gratitude to Katie for all her service!!!

12.0 Adjournment

Christopher Amanat

- Meeting adjourned at 5:09PM.

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