



Torrance Youth Council

The Torrance Youth Council is an advisory body to the City Council on matters pertaining to youth. Regular meetings are scheduled on the first and third Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the West Annex Commission Meeting Room. All meetings are open to the public.

Those who wish to speak on any matter on the agenda are requested to complete a "Speaker Information Card" (available at the meeting) and give it to the Staff Liaison to ensure correct spelling on names in the minutes. Direct any questions or concerns to the Youth Council Liaison, Deborah Reed, at (310) 618-2949. A copy of the Commission agenda is available on the City of Torrance Home Page at: www.TorranceCA.Gov.

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HOURS OF OPERATION

**Monday through Friday
From 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.**

**City Hall will be closed the
following Friday(s):**

February 1 and 15, 2019

Holidays:

February 12 and 18, 2019

TORRANCE YOUTH COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

**WEST ANNEX COMMISSION MEETING ROOM
CITY HALL, 3031 TORRANCE BOULEVARD
TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA 90503**

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2019
7:00 P.M.**

A G E N D A

- 1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**
- 2. ROLL CALL/MOTIONS FOR EXCUSED ABSENCE**
- 3. FLAG SALUTE AND INSPIRATIONAL**
- 4. MOTION TO ACCEPT AND FILE THE REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK ON THE POSTING OF THE AGENDA**
- 5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** January 16, 2019
- 6. ORALS COMMUNICATONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**
This portion of the meeting is reserved for comment on items not on the agenda. Under the Ralph M. Brown Act, City Council cannot act on items raised during public comment, but may respond briefly to statements made or questions posed; request clarification; or refer the item to staff. Speakers under orals may speak only once and no longer than 3 minutes per speaker
- 7. DISCUSSION:** Meeting date of January 2, 2019
- 8. DISCUSSION:** Attendance at meetings
- 9. ORAL REPORTS:** Student Body Updates Discuss
 - A. Bishop
 - B. CAMS
 - C. North High School
 - D. South High School
 - E. Torrance High School
 - F. West High School
- 10. ORAL REPORTS:** City Council and Commission Updates – Report, discuss and assign.

11. **ORAL REPORTS:** Committee Reports - discuss and assign next meeting date:

- **THE ATTIC:** Next meeting 2/4/19 at **THE ATTIC**.
- **Youth Forum:** Tuesday, March 5, 2019. Next meeting 2/06/19 at 6:30 p.m.
- **ASB Bowl:** Should have a date from you ASB's. Meeting is 2/6/19 at 6:00 p.m.
- **Coffee House:** 4/20/19
- **Beat the Odds:** 5/2/19
- **Publicity:** Work on a script. Provide by 2/6/19 meeting or before
- **Middle School Service Project:** Tentative date 5/11/18
- **Mental Health:** Update

12. **ADJOURNMENT:** to regular Meeting on Wednesday, February 20, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Hall West Annex Commission Room, 3031 Torrance Blvd.

Creating and Enriching Community through People, Programs and Partnerships

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE TORRANCE YOUTH COUNCIL**

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Torrance Youth Council was called to order by a Chair Ankesh Jhangiani at 7:08 p.m. on Wednesday, January 16, 2019. The meeting was held in the West Annex Commission Meeting Room, Torrance City Hall, 3031 Torrance Boulevard.

2. ROLL CALL/MOTIONS FOR EXCUSED ABSENCE

PRESENT: Irenosen Aboiralor, Annie Chen, Ashley Cho, Aspara Chopra, Neelaj Das, Cynthia Ge, Ankesh Jhangiani, Eugene Joo, Min Jung, Brandon Hong, Sydney Matsubara, Darin Materman, Lorraine Munoz, Anika Rehan, Vani Sachdev, Sara Takigawa, Sean Yamaguchi

ABSENT: Monica Reyes

STAFF: Deborah Reed, Senior Recreation Supervisor
Toni Sexton, CSL IV, Staff

3. FLAG SALUTE AND INSPIRATIONAL

Brandon Hong led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Inspirational by Ankesh Jhangiani.

4. MOTION TO ACCEPT AND FILE THE REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK ON THE POSTING OF THE AGENDA

MOTION: Sydney Matsubura motioned; Vani Sachdev, seconded, to accept and file the Affidavit of Agenda Posting of the Youth Council meeting on January 6, 2019. The motion carried, a roll call vote reflected unanimous approval.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: Irenosen Aboiralor motioned, Vani Sachdev seconded, to approve of the December 19, 2018 minutes as read. The motion carried, a roll call vote reflected unanimous approval.

6. GUEST/ORAL COMMUNICATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Melina VonStietz, Youth Librarian at El Retiro Library attended the meeting. Things are falling into place following the holidays.

Ms. Reed sent out information about Torrance Serves, a link and suggested either TYC work as a group or individually, part of Councilman Herrings' vision for MLK day.

7. **ORAL REPORTS:** Student Body Updates are discussed; this is done to update everyone on what other schools are doing. Reports were given by those listed:

Bishop Montgomery – *Ren Aboiralor* – Friday, January 18, 2019 Middle School Basketball night. The celebration of mass, Catholic School's week begins January 28, 2019.

CAMS – *Vani Sachdev* – Winter Formal is on Friday, January 18, 2019.

North High – *Monica Reyes, Lorraine Munoz* – Girls soccer have a game against South. Applications are out for students interested in becoming Sister City exchange students in Kashiwa, Japan.

South High – *Sydney Matsubara* – Winter pep rally is on Friday, January 18, 2019. Freshman ASB elections. Boys and Girls State interviews are being held this week.

Torrance High – *Sara Takigawa* – February 13, 2019 is the blood drive. Friday, January 18, 2019 will be Hands Across Campus, a multi-cultural event.

West High – *Brando Hong* – The Pavilion construction is complete. Sadie's Dance and Multi-Cultural Day still in the planning stages.

8. **ORAL REPORTS:** City Council Updates and Assignments:

City Council

UPDATE: **January 8, 2019** *Cynthia Ge, Sydney Matsubara, Neelaj Das.*
City Staff attended to protest the lack of rises and better working conditions. Many residents voiced their opinions about various issues.

January 15, 2019 *Vani Sachdev, Sydney Matsubara.*
A proclamation was read declaring January 2019 as Torrance SERVES, Service Leader Celebration Month. Aligned with MLK Day the City invites the Community to participate in doing community service throughout the month of January by collectively pledging 100,000 hours. Discussion about Councilman Mattucci's unexcused absence on December, 18, 2018. Approval of the 2019 Grant funding for non-profit Social Services Agencies.

ASSIGNMENTS: **January 22, 2019** *Ankesh Jhangiani, Darin Materman, Vani Sachdev, Sara Takigawa, Min Jung, Neelaj Das*

February 5, 2019 *Eugene Joo, Cynthia Ge, Irenosen Aboiralor, Sydney Matsubara*

Parks and Recreation Commission

UPDATE: **January 9, 2019** Neelaj Das, Ashley Cho, Sean Yamaguchi.
Measure A update for El Nido Park was discussed. The Commission accepted a donation of a new mower to be used at the Madrona Marsh.

ASSIGNMENTS: **None**

Library Commission

UPDATE: **January 14, 2019** Annie Chen – Words on Wheels, book Library on wheels visit in elderly homes. Still organizing focus groups to gage opinions from of the Torrance Library.

ASSIGNMENT: **None**

Rose Float Association

UPDATE: **None**

ASSIGNMENT: **None**

9. ORAL REPORTS: Committee Reports – Meeting dates and times:

- **THE ATTIC** – Torrance Talks were debriefed. Free classes at Gracie University on February 7 and 21, 2019. Next meeting February 5, 2019.
- **Youth Forum** – March 5, 2019. The theme is “A Work in Progress”. Next meeting February 6, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. Speeches need to be done and ready to present. You are not making an argument but providing content for discussion.
- **Beat the Odds** – May 2, 2019
- **ASB Bowl** – Meeting at 6:00 p.m. on February 6, 2019. Assignment to check dates with ASB’s March 25, 26, and 27, 2019. Come prepared with the best date for your ASB’s. At your meet come up with a theme and game ideas to present to the body.
- **Coffee House** – April 20, 2019. Plan a meeting on or before the February 20, 2019 meeting, you need a theme.
- **Middle School Volunteer Event** – Tentative date May 11, 2019.
- **Publicity** – Work on video, present script at February 6, 2019 meeting. Video needs to go out by February 11, 2019.
- **Mental Health** – Working on second stage of grant to be completed and submitted by the end of January.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Cynthia Ge moved, Darin Materman seconded, to adjourn the meeting to a regular Meeting on Wednesday, February 6 2019 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Hall West Annex Commission Room, 3031 Torrance Blvd. A roll call vote reflected unanimous approval.

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