



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):**

January 3, 17 and 31, 2020

Holidays:

January 20, 2020

TORRANCE YOUTH COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

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

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15, 2020
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:** November 20, December 4 and 18, 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. 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
- 8. ORAL REPORTS:** City Council and Commission Updates – Report, discuss and assign
- 9. ORAL REPORTS:** Committee Reports - discuss and assign next meeting date
 - **THE ATTIC:** Next meeting is 1/6/20 at THE ATTIC update
 - **Youth Forum:** March 17, 2020. Committee meeting 1/15/20 at 6:30 p.m. Update on speaker suggestions and who is doing what discussions: Pros, Cons and Moderators.

- **ASB Bowl:** Committee meeting at 6:45 p.m.
- **Beat the Odds:** 5/7/20
- **Publicity:** Present draft of what has been done.
- **Strategic Planning Committee:** Update
- **Creativity Committee:** Plan next meeting

10. DISCUSSION: Youth Council Apparel – Status

11. ADJOURNMENT: to next regular Meeting on Wednesday, February 5, 2020 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 Chair Annie Chen at 7:04 p.m. on Wednesday, November 20, 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: Annie Chen, Kelli Chong, Neelaj Das, Henry Hasnah, Eugene Joo, Harry Kaplan, Jennifer Kim, Hannah Logo, Lana Mai, Darin Materman, Sara Takigawa

ABSENT: Irenosen Aboiralor, Ashley Cho, Cynthia Ge, Min Jung, Jeannie Kim, Sean Yamaguchi, Jordan Yee

STAFF: Deborah Reed, Senior Recreation Supervisor

3. FLAG SALUTE AND INSPIRATIONAL

Eugene Joo led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Inspirational by Annie Chen

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

MOTION: Jennifer Kim motioned, Harry Kaplan seconded, to accept and file the Affidavit of Agenda Posting of the Youth Council meeting November 20, 2019. The motion carried, a roll call vote reflected unanimous approval.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: October 16 and November 6, 2019

MOTION: Lana Mai motioned, Harry Kaplan seconded, minutes approved as read for the October 16, 2019 minutes. The motion carried, a roll call vote reflected unanimous approval.

MOTION: Harry Kaplan motioned, Sara Takigawa seconded, minutes approved as read for the minutes of November 6, 2019 minutes. The motion carried, a roll call vote reflected unanimous approval.

6. GUEST/ORAL COMMUNICATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- There were gun threats against South High and Bishop Montgomery schools, but turned out to be false.
- It was suggested that TYC hosts a Town Hall Meeting to address topics, or incorporate it into the Youth Forum. Ms. Reed agreed it would be better suited at the Youth Forum.

7. **DISCUSSION:** 40th Annual Turkey Trot Fun Run Sign Ups

Everyone who signed up be there by 6:30 a.m. for orange cutting and setting up water for race participants. Enter off of Lomita or Crenshaw Boulevards. Skypark Drive will be shut down once you get into the parking lot, head towards Skypark Drive.

8. **ORAL REPORTS:** Student Body Updates

Bishop Montgomery – Henry – Open house December 7th.

CAMS – NO REPORT

North High – Lana – December 2nd is the District's Band Showcase. On December 4th, a meeting on vaping will be held at the Town Hall.

South High – Darin – The winter Dance Show is November 21st and 22nd; December 2nd and 6th is Geek Week; and the Blood Drive is on December 2nd.

Torrance High – Kelli – Thanksgiving break all next week, November 22nd to 27th and December 11th is the Holiday Concert.

West High – Hannah – December 4th is the ASB Mixer; December 6th is Winter Rally, and December 9th to 13th is Spirit Week.

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

City Council

UPDATE: **11/12/19** Dark

11/19/19 *Jennifer, Kelli, Neelaj, Jordan, Min and Darin.*
Applications are now being taken until February 3rd for the Home Town Hero's Banner Program. The Taste of Torrance will be held on November 20th at the Bartlett Seniors Center. Paul Chong, Bus Operator retired after 38 years. November 30th was declared Small Business Day in the City of Torrance. BLM Los Angeles Chapter representatives were upset when names of the officers were released. The Torrance Theater Company talked about upcoming shows. The TYC Annual Report was approved.

11/26/19 Dark

ASSIGNMENTS: **12/3/19** *Kelli and Henry*

Parks and Recreation Commission

UPDATE: **NONE**

ASSIGNMENTS: **NONE**

Library Commission

UPDATE: **NONE**

ASSIGNMENTS: **NONE**

Rose Float Association

UPDATE: **NONE**

ASSIGNMENTS: **NONE**

10. ORAL REPORTS: Committee Reports – Set meeting dates and times:

- **THE ATTIC** – Torrance Talks is on December 12, 2019 from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m., need volunteers. Next meeting is December 2, 2019.
- **Boutiques** – Sunday, December 8, 2019 Eugene will be purchasing supplies. Using City photo frames. Meet at 6:00 a.m. Guys will be playing Santa. The crafts are: ornaments, snowmen plates, coloring sheet. Samples will be at the next meeting. We have 90 vendors.
- **Youth Forum** – That date is not good for Bishop and North, but would check again. Plan a committee meeting.
- **Beat the Odds** – May 7, 2020
- **ASB Bowl** – Will be held in March 2020
- **Publicity** – The Committee is working on posting bio picks on TYC, by school.
- **Creativity Committee** – Discussed possible games and icebreakers: get to know you bingo, 2 truths and a lie, Jennifer is going to extend the invite to **THE ATTIC** Advisory Committee and get their input.
- **Strategic Planning Committee** – 11/18 Meeting. Annie did not attend.

11. DISCUSSION: Youth Council Apparel

Waiting for final design so Jordan and Ashley can get estimates from their vendors.

12. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Hannah moved, Harry Kaplan seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 7:47 p.m. to the next regular meeting on Wednesday, December 4, 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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**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE TORRANCE YOUTH COUNCIL**

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

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2. ROLL CALL/MOTIONS FOR EXCUSED ABSENCE

PRESENT: Irenosen Aboiralor, Annie Chen, Ashley Cho, Kelli Chong, Neelaj Das, Cynthia Ge, Henry Hasnah, Eugene Joo, Min Jung, Harry Kaplan, Hannah Logo, Lana Mai, Darin Materman, Sara Takigawa, Sean Yamaguchi, Jordan Yee

ABSENT: Jeannie Kim, Jennifer Kim

STAFF: Deborah Reed, Senior Recreation Supervisor

3. FLAG SALUTE AND INSPIRATIONAL

Ashley Cho led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Inspirational by Annie Chen

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

MOTION: Cynthia Ge motioned, Ashley Cho seconded, to accept and file the Affidavit of Agenda Posting of the Youth Council meeting December 4, 2019. The motion carried, a roll call vote reflected unanimous approval.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: November 20 and December 4, 2019

MOTION: Lana Mai motioned, Harry Kaplan seconded, to table the approval of the minutes dated November 20, 2019 and December 4, 2019. The motion carried, a roll call vote reflected unanimous approval.

6. GUEST/ORAL COMMUNICATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Victoria Valverde, Youth Service Librarian; Civic Center Library, updated TYC on what is happening at the Libraries. There are new technological toys that can be checked-out at any of the branches. They have coding programs, robots that can be programmed with the computer every second Wednesday of the month.
- Jeffery Yum, ATTIC Advisory Committee Chair, Kara Serafin and Nathan Lee members.

7. DISCUSSION: Debrief Turkey Trot.

Pros – a lot of water left over. Austin, there was a huge turnout considering the rain, the knives used for cutting oranges were great, the Zumba/Exercise portion was fun

Cons – oranges were dirty, it was cold, wet, and freezing, sprinklers were on in the rain

8. **DISCUSSION:** Meeting of January 1, 2020
There will be no meeting on January 1st, it is a holiday.
9. **ORAL REPORTS:** Student Body Updates
Bishop Montgomery – Henry – Christmas Tree lighting at 4:00 p.m. on December 5, 2019 and Open House is on Saturday, December 6, 2019.
CAMS – Min – Movie Night is Friday, December 7, 2019. Concert is on December 12, 2019 and the Dance Team will be performing.
North High – Lana – Winter assembly is on December 13, 2019.
South High – Anne – This is Geek Week, from December 2-6, 2019. Drama Club production of Legally Blond is December 9-13, 2019.
Torrance High – Kelli – December 9-13, 2019 is Spirit Week.
West High – Jordan – Winter Spirit Rally is Friday December 6, 2019. West is hosting Japanese students this month.
10. **ORAL REPORTS:** City Council Updates and Assignments:
City Council
UPDATE: **12/3/19** *Kelli and Henry – NO ONE ATTENDED*
ASSIGNMENTS:
Parks and Recreation Commission
UPDATE: **NONE**
ASSIGNMENTS: **12/10/19** *Lana Mai, Annie Chen*
 12/17/19 *Neelaj Das, Kelli Chong, Darin Materman*
Library Commission
UPDATE:
ASSIGNMENTS: **12/9/19** *Darin, Ashley*
Rose Float Association
UPDATE: **12/3/19 –** *Hannah – There are only 6 tickets left to attend the Rose Float Parade on January 1, 2020, at \$120 each. The Rose Float is still looking for volunteers for this Saturday, December 7 to help set up.*
ASSIGNMENTS: **NONE**
11. **ORAL REPORTS:** Committee Reports – Set meeting dates and times:
 - **THE ATTIC** – Jeffery Yum – Torrance Talks is on December 12, 2019, from 4 to 7 p.m., Gracie University is offering a free class to high school students, through **THE ATTIC**.
 - **Boutiques** – Sunday, December 8, 2019. Eugene will be purchasing supplies. Using City photo frames. Meet at 6:00 a.m. Guys will be playing Santa. The crafts are

ornaments, snowmen plates, and coloring sheet. Samples will be at the next meeting. We have 90 vendors.

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12. **DISCUSSION:** Youth Council Apparel

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13. **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION: Harry Kaplan moved, Sean Yamaguchi seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 p.m. to the next regular meeting on Wednesday, December 18, 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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ABSENT: Jordan Yee

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

3. FLAG SALUTE AND INSPIRATIONAL

Min Jung led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Inspirational by Min Jung

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

MOTION: Cynthia Ge motioned, Lana Mai seconded, to accept and file the Affidavit of Agenda Posting of the Youth Council meeting December 18, 2019. The motion carried, a roll call vote reflected unanimous approval.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes have been tabled, see December 4, 2019 minutes

6. GUEST/ORAL COMMUNICATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Matthew Moses, Walteria Library Youth Service Librarian, left handouts on the various ways to connect with the Library.

7. ORAL REPORTS: Student Body Updates

Montgomery – Ren – today was the last day of school for winter break, classes resume January 7, 2020.

CAMS – Min – Winter Fest is all week December 16-20, 2019. The Link Crew is having a Winter Olympics competition. Winter Break is three weeks long.

North High – Lana – Choir Concert is today December 12, 2019. The Dance Show is this week.

South High – Darin – Band concert tonight December 18, 2019. Ugly Sweater Day is Friday, December 20, 2019.

Torrance High – *Kelli* – The local scholarship deadline is December 19, 2019. TUSD Winter Break is December 23, 2019 to January 3, 2020. Spirit Week was held last week December 9 to 13, 2019.

West High – *Ashley* – The basketball team is running a toy drive.

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

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UPDATE: **12/10/19** *Darin Materman* – Resolution was read honoring Edward Aleman from the Fire Department upon his retirement after 31 years. A proclamation was read honoring the Volunteer Center's Operation Teddy Bear program celebrating 25 years. A \$50,000 grant was received from the Annenberg Foundation to restore and maintain the Wilson Park Tree House. The anniversary of the death of Chris Mitchell had the BLM members out.

ASSIGNMENTS: **1/14/20** *Jennifer Kim, Min Jung, Kellie Chong, Neelaj Das, Ashley Cho, Ren Aboiralor*

Parks and Recreation Commission

UPDATE: **12/11/19** *Cynthia Ge* – Air monitoring devices were installed at Gunser Park. Presentations were heard on how it will lower property values.

ASSIGNMENTS: **1/8/20** *Annie Chen, Cynthia Ge, Min Jung*

Library Commission

UPDATE: **12/9/19** *Ashley Cho* – New Commissioner introduced as well as the new City Librarian, Yolande Wilburn from Chicago. The Library will be expanding the reading program to year round. The largest number of 1st grader's getting Library cards in the history.

ASSIGNMENTS: **1/6/19** *Darin Materman, Ashley Cho*

Rose Float Association

UPDATE: **NONE**

ASSIGNMENTS: **1/7/10** *Jennifer Kim Kellie Chong, Jeannie Kim*

9. **ORAL REPORTS:** Committee Reports – Set meeting dates and times:

- **THE ATTIC** – None attended, will bring everyone up-to-date at the next TYC meeting.
- **Boutiques** – Debrief – Set up went well organized. Assigning shifts would have made things run smoother. Overall things ran well, although it was felt that there was a lot of down time in the beginning.

- **Youth Forum** – Event is being planned for March 17, 2020. The theme is Perfect Vision. Topics being discussed are: “Should Schools Be Able to Restrict Wifi?”; “Should Marijuana Be Legal?”, “Should College Athletes be Paid?”, “Should Parents Be Required to Vaccinate their Children?”, “Has Taylor Swift Lost Her ‘Clout?”. Speaker suggestions are still being decided.
- **Beat the Odds** – May 7, 2020
- **ASB Bowl** – Will be held in March 2020.
- **Publicity** – The Committee is still working on posting bios on TYC, by school. The committee request that each member answer the Bio question and send answers to Ashley Cho.
- **Creativity Committee** – Suggest it be put on hold until after the Municipal Elections
- **Strategic Planning Committee** – November 18, 2019 Meeting, Annie did not attend.

10. **DISCUSSION:** Youth Council Apparel

Those who were sending request for quotes to vendors need to do so before the 1/15/19 meeting. Bring information to the meeting.

11. **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION: Lana Mai moved, Harry Kaplan seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m. to the next regular meeting on Wednesday, January 15, 2020 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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