



**MINUTES
LAWDALE YOUTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING, JANUARY 14, 2020**

A. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Community Services Supervisor Sabina Almeida called the meeting to order at 5:33 p.m. at the Harold E. Hofmann Community Center located at 14700 Burin Avenue in the City of Lawndale, California.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Chairperson April Owens, Committee Members Andrew Espindola, Kaleb Hafner, Soraya Whaley and Katie Barrios

Members Absent: Committee Member Anyelin Lima

B. CEREMONIALS

Flag Salute led by Chairperson April Owens

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of the November 12, 2019 meeting
Motion to approve by Soraya Whaley and seconded by Kaleb Hafner
Approved: 5 Yes

D. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS – ITEMS NOT ON AGENDA

E. COMMENTS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

None

F. ADMINISTRATION

1. **Angel Tree Lighting Event Recap** – Committee members Soraya, Andrew, Katie and Kaleb were present for the Angel Tree Lighting event and provided a recap. Committee member Katie commented that having Key Club volunteers helped but it needed to be more organized with a schedule. All committee members present said the Santa line was long and the ice skating rink seemed to be popular. Committee member Soraya stated that the event ended too late and next year it would be better if it ended earlier.
2. **60th Anniversary Winter Fun Land Event Recap** – Staff provided a recap of the weekend event and asked those committee members that attended for their comments. Committee member Soraya said that the skating rink needed more attendants to assist with monitoring the rink because kids were diving and there

was no limit on the time allowed on the ice. Committee member Kaleb commented that it was empty on Saturday. Staff informed the committee that this event was put together to commemorate Lawndale's 60th year and next year the Angel Tree Lighting will take place on a Friday with no weekend events.

3. **Fundraising Projects-** At the last meeting the committee members inquired about possibly selling snacks and drinks to fundraise for their committee. Staff informed them that they are not allowed to collect money or sell items per the city's policy, however if they are in need of funds to put on events and activities the Parks, Recreation and Social Services Commission is happy to donate to the Youth Advisory Committee.
4. **New Year's Goals** – Staff asked the committee to begin thinking about their New Year's goals for 2020. A few ideas were mentioned such as starting a Teen Club to meet once a month at the Community Center on Fridays. A few ideas that were discussed for the program included:
 - Gaming stations
 - Board games/large adult size board games such as Jenga, Connect 4
 - Ping Pong
 - Air Hockey
 - Puzzles
 - Snacks such as pizza to attract more teens

Staff informed the committee that the new Recreation Coordinator would begin working on the Teen Club with a possible start date in spring 2020.

G. ITEMS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

None.

H. ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson April Owens adjourned the meeting at 6:05 p.m.

Chairperson April Owens

Attest:

Sabina Almeida
Community Services Supervisor