#### Roll Call

Kelsey Berger F Rebekah Dunfee, Chair Т Andy Duryea Harrison Little Χ Megan Nelson UE Sarah Price V **London Taylor** UE Denali Tshibaka, Vice Chair X Josiah Tshibaka Χ Moses Vakulich Ε E Lillian Yang

X=Present V=Virtual E=Absent, Excused UE=Absent, Unexcused T=Telephone

## I. Call to Order

- a. Vice Chair Tshibaka, D presiding
- b. Vice Chair Tshibaka, D called the meeting to order at 7:15 pm.

## II. Approve the Agenda

- a. Motion from Chair Dunfee, seconded by Commissioner Tshibaka, J.
- b. Unanimous consent.

## **III. Approve the Minutes**

- a. Motion from Commissioner Little, seconded by Commissioner Tshibaka, J.
- b. Unanimous consent.

#### IV. Old Business

a. None

#### V. New Business

- a. Commissioner Price gave her Assembly report.
  - -Commissioner Price believes that the Assembly meetings are no longer safe or mature environments for the youth.
  - -Commissioner Price is going to present all of YAC's resolutions as official Assembly resolutions on the consent agenda.
  - -Commissioner Price also informed YAC that the Assembly is planning to change the charter to affect how YAC appoints and selects a Youth Representative.
  - -Commissioner Duryea asked the best way to approach the Assembly about their suspected future attempt to change YAC's power to choose the Youth Representative.
- b. Commissioner Price discussed Resolution 3.
  - -She discussed the minor edits she made to Resolution 3–including formatting–and stated that the data requested from the Commission would be attached to the Resolution, but not part of the WHEREAS statements.
  - -Commissioner Duryea stated that he would like to pass Resolution 3 tonight; Vice Chair Tshibaka, D agreed.
  - -Commissioner Price moved to call to question, seconded by Commissioner Little. Unanimous consent.

- -Commissioner Tshibaka, J moved to pass the Resolution 3, Commissioner Little seconded.
- -Commission unanimously passed Resolution 3.
- c. Commissioner Price talked about her mental health survey (discussed in tandem with item a).
  - -Commissioner Price will be meeting with the Youth Representative on the school board to discuss mental health.
  - -Commissioner Duryea asked how Commissioner Price would execute the mental health survey throughout the schools.
  - -Commissioner Tshibaka, J proposed the mental health survey include a question that takes suggestions from teens on how to tackle mental health issues.
- d. Vice Chair Tshibaka, D brought up the plan for the summer.
  - -Chair Dunfee and Commissioner Tshibaka, J agreed that meeting once a month in a hybrid meeting would be best. Commissioner Tshibaka, J also stated that planning solid meeting dates would be efficient, but the dates should be discussed when more members are present.
  - -Commissioner Duryea proposed setting the next one or two meeting dates at this meeting.
  - -Commissioner Duryea proposed changing YAC's meeting time to an hour earlier.
  - -Commissioner Little moved to set the next date for June 6th from 6 pm to 8 pm. Commissioner Tshibaka, J seconded. Unanimous consent.
- e. Vice Chair Tshibaka, D brought up the mural and asked to finalize the design.
  - -Commissioner Duryea requested the fish look more like salmon in the final design.
  - -Commissioner Dunfee moved to finalize the design with Commissioner Duryea's request in mind, seconded by Commissioner Tshibaka, J. Unanimous consent.
- f. Commissioner Duryea discussed YAC Resolution 4.
  - -Commissioner Price recommended going through the mayor's office (if possible) to set the month of May as Mental Health Awareness Month.
  - -Commissioner Duryea agreed to put it through the mayor's office.
  - -Commissioner Price recommended adding statistics on adolescent mental health to the resolution.
  - -Commissioner Price recommended putting Resolution 4 off until next May in order to increase the impact of the resolution; Chair Dunfee agreed.
  - -Commissioner Little stated that getting the resolution passed now and having the resolution advertised further next year may be best; Commissioner Tshibaka, J and Vice Chair Tshibaka, D agreed.
  - -Commissioner Price moved to question, Chair Dunfee seconded. Unanimous consent.
  - -Commission unanimously passed Resolution 4.
- g. Commissioner Tshibaka, J gave the ELP presentation.
  - -ELP (Equal, Lawful/Legal, Peaceful).
  - -ELP presentation explains what YAC is, how it works, and what the Youth Representative is for people who don't know.
  - -ELP is a public relations program created by YAC.

- -Commissioner Duryea asked how ELP would benefit YAC. Commissioner Tshibaka, J said that ELP's intent is to preserve the youth's right to speak.
- -Commissioner Duryea voiced concern that a program combating actions that the Assembly may put in place in reference to YAC could send a negative message to the community. He also voiced concern that ELP becoming an entity separate from YAC could lead to members being unable to have control over ELP and it becoming something negative. Commissioner Tshibaka, J stated that he wants ELP to be established before the Assembly passes the suspected future ordinance that would restrict YAC. Commissioner Tshibaka, J said he would like to start an ELP subcommittee in order to keep ELP from becoming its own entity.
- -Commissioner Price asked if ELP would be presented to anyone else. Commissioner Tshibaka, J said he would like to present it to others in the future.
- h. Commissioner Tshibaka, J presented Resolution 5.
  - -Commissioner Price asked if the Commission could pass Resolution 5 tonight, however, she requested that we consider not sending it to the Assembly right away. Commissioner Tshibaka, J agreed; he does not want to present it to the Assembly until YAC is ready to establish ELP. Commissioner Price asked if she could mention ELP in her committee report at the next Assembly meeting; Commissioner Tshibaka, J gave his permission.
  - -Commissioner Duryea stated that he does not believe that the Assembly can remove YAC, as it is a function of the mayor's office. He also stated that he does not believe that passing this resolution would be beneficial to YAC at this time.
  - -Commissioner Sarah moved to postpone YAC Resolution 5 to the next worksession, seconded by Commissioner Little. Unanimous consent.
  - -Commissioner Tshibaka, J moved to extend the meeting to 9:10 pm, Commissioner Duryea seconded. Unanimous consent.
- i. Commissioner Tshibaka, J presented Resolution 6.
  - -Commissioner Tshibaka, J explained that Vice Chair Constant's move of cutting off Commissioner Price's term does not hold YAC approval. He also explained that some aspects of Resolution 6 would not apply to every Youth Representative member–only Commissioner Price.
  - -Commissioner Price stated that the ordinance allows YAC to establish the Youth Representative's term. Thus, cutting Commissioner Price's term short was against MOA code. She also voiced concern with the age range mentioned in Resolution 6, saying that she believes keeping the age range from 15-18 would be best.
  - -Commissioner Duryea voiced agreement with Commissioner Price that removing the age restriction would be best and also stated he would like to pass it tonight. He also mentioned that he would like to consider a resolution written in which the YAC alternate could fill in for the Youth Representative's seat.
  - -Commissioner Price moved to strike the WHEREAS statement that addresses the age change and the second BE IT RESOLVED statement and to strike the "xxx" and replace it with "6". Seconded by Commissioner Tshibaka, J. Unanimous consent.
  - -Commissioner Price moved to call to question, seconded by Commissioner Little. Unanimous consent.

- -Commissioner Little moved to pass Resolution 6 as amended, seconded by Commissioner Tshibaka, J.
- -Commission unanimously passed Resolution 6 as amended.

## **VI. Public Comment**

a. None

# **VII. Commissioners Comment**

a. Vice Chair Tshibaka, D asked if any commissioners would be interested in coming to the Rise Above It suicide awareness event next week.

# VIII. Adjournment

- a. Commissioner Tshibaka, J moves to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Duryea. Unanimous consent.
- b. Adjourned at 9:11 pm.