YOUTH COMMISSION TRAINING

September 13, 2021
5:00 PM to 7:00 PM
I. CALL TO ORDER & ORDERS OF THE DAY

A. ROLL CALL
II. PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT AND TRAINING ON DEBATE (V. JUNEJA)
Debate - An Interactive Seminar
Presented by the D10 and D2 Commissioners
Warm Up

Question Game
Objectives and Goals

1. Through this training, Commissioners will be taught how to be open minded while listening to different points of view.
2. At the end of this training, Commissioners will know how to have productive discussions.
3. At the end of this training, Commissioners will understand the important and value of respectful disagreements.
Tone

Avoid using a standoffish tone or projecting that you are smarter or more educated than the person you are conversing with.

A conversational tone is best.

Monotony hinders discussions.
Activity
-
Example Sentences
Wording of Questions

- Purposeful

- Respectful
Activity
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Mock Debate
Reflection

D1: Remain calm and respectful when having a conversation with others.

D2: Keep everything respectful and value others’ opinions.

D3: Legend says that if you search hard enough, you'll find the inner super-capitalist inside of you (jk). But in all seriousness, I'll be trying to see multiple points of view in a debate and to keep my tone more conversational.

D4: Be open minded and assume good intentions.

D6: Try to have a calm mindset and respect others opinions.

D7: Keeping a respectful tone and attempting to view from another person’s perspective is vital in ensuring that the dialogue was productive, educational, and meaningful.

D8: Today’s training enabled me to be a more conscious speaker and emphasize the importance of respect in discussions.

D9: Using a less monotonous tone while questioning/creating arguments (i.e. bring up stats less), and keep debates more professional and interactive through a respectful and conversational tone.

D10: Keep the debates extremely conversational so that everyone feels comfortable participating.
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- Honesty
- Engagement
- Respect
- Open-mindedness
III. APPROVAL OF TOWN HALL WORK PLAN (A. GHOSH)
San José Citywide Town Hall Work Plan 2021/2022

**Vision:** To equitably connect, serve, empower, and support San Jose youth of all backgrounds.

**Mission:** Uniting as an informed, connected, and engaged body of San Jose youth.

**Core Values:** Responsibility, Teamwork, Empathy, Inclusivity, Empowerment

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| **Empower youth to pursue their careers and encourage them to be civically engaged through local and city-wide events and initiatives.** | A. Host at least one Town Hall meeting every 3 months held virtually via Zoom until COVID-19 restrictions allow in-person meetings  
B. Discuss a variety of topics including but not limited to: 
  a. Civic Engagement/Voting  
  b. Environment                                                             | A. September 2021 - March 2022  
B. September 2021 - March 2022                                               |
| **Foster a safe, inclusive, and accessible space for youth in San Jose to express their passions and interest.** | A. Provide a safe space for youth to publicly advocate for issues that matter to them at Town halls, YAC Meetings, and Youth Commission Meetings.  | A. September 2021 - March 2022 |
| **Provide equitable access and support to marginalized youth communities.**     | A. Discuss how to best support marginalized communities in at least one Town Hall meeting                                              | A. September 2021 - March 2022 |
| **Promote awareness about various issues and opportunities to San Jose youth.** | A. Send out one Newsletter the Friday after each meeting starting in September  
B. Include resources and opportunities section within the Newsletter                                                               | A. Ongoing                    
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| **Advise and prompt City Council to act upon youth priorities and input.**     | A. Create a deliverable after every town hall meeting such as: 
  a. Policy Recommendations  
  b. Awareness Campaigns  
  c. Event Fairs                                                                 | A. September 2021 - March 2022 |
IV. CREATION OF TOWN HALL MEETING SCHEDULE
V. YOUTH COMMISSION
NEWSLETTER
VI. OCTOBER YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL SUMMIT PLANNING
VII. ADJOURNMENT

THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE YOUTH COMMISSION WILL BE MONDAY SEPTEMBER 27TH, 2021 VIA ZOOM WEBINAR AT 6:30 P.M.