

CITY OF ELK GROVE Youth Commission

**MINUTES OF THE YOUTH COMMISSION
Special Meeting
November 04, 2025**

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL:

Abbas Chaudhry, Youth Commission Chair, called the Youth Commission Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Present: Abbas Chaudhry; Andres Guzman; Ethan Phang; Kalea Condon; Kara Hughes; Karlee Clark; Marho Akpo; Omri Nelson; Princeton Mingo; Zara Choudhury

Absent: None

Late: None

2. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT: The Land Acknowledgment was read by Commission Chair Abbas Chaudhry

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Youth Commission Secretary, Marho Akpo, led the Pledge of Allegiance

4. PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA: None

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Approval of minutes – (M/S) Abbas Chaundry/Kara Hudes 10/0/0

6. REGULAR AGENDA ACTION ITEMS:

6.1 Review the Walk with Us on the Path to Positivity Event.

The Commission reviewed the "Walk with Us on the Path to Positivity" Event, noting its successful organization and efficiency. Positive feedback was specifically given for the music, which contributed to a calming atmosphere, and the quick and efficient post-event cleanup was commended. While agreeing that the event was well-organized, the Commission determined that it deserved more participation, and a consensus was reached that the advertisement strategy could have been better managed; methods to enhance promotional efforts for the next event were subsequently discussed.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

6.2 Review and complete the request from the UC Berkeley Possibility Lab on behalf of the California Youth Empowerment Commission

The Youth Commission partnered with the newly formed California Youth Empowerment Commission (YEC) by completing a survey from the UC Berkeley Possibility Lab to support the state's young people. The YEC is a diverse leadership team appointed by the Governor and state legislators to ensure young Californians' voices are heard in the State Capitol. Through this survey, the Youth Commission identified and articulated specific roles and ideas to advance this mission.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

6.3 Discuss identified areas of Year 2025-26 Advocacy and decide on the way forward.

The Commissioners decided to form a subcommittee consisting of Commissioners Chaudry, Hughes, Guzman, and Akpo to identify three pressing issues for advocacy focus. These findings will be presented at the next meeting, allowing the Commission to vote on one specific goal to move forward with for the year.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

6.4 Receive report from the D&I Liaison

Liaison Karlee Clark attended the October 21 Diversity and Inclusion (D&I) Commission meeting. She reported that the Commission reviewed the successful Filipino History and Diwali events held on October 13.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

6.5 Receive Update from the Communications Officer

Communications Officer Kalea Condon proposed filming and posting online recaps of Youth Commission events to better showcase the event atmosphere and motivate future attendance. Additionally, she suggested creating introduction posts for all Commissioners to ensure students can identify with their school representatives, with the goal of strengthening connections between the Commission and other Elk Grove School District students.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

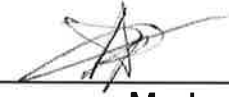
7. GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATES/ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The Commission agreed to rename the "Shape my Future" event to "Future Forward: A College and Career Readiness Event." Consequently, the

subcommittee was tasked with developing an agenda to be presented at the upcoming meeting on December 9.

8. ADJOURNMENT:

The November 4, 2025, Youth Commission Special Meeting was adjourned at 7:06 p.m.



Marho Akpo
Youth Commission Secretary