

Youth Commission Meeting

MEETING MINUTES

Monday, January 12, 2026 at 6:30pm
Martin Luther King Jr. Youth Services Center/YAP
1730 Oregon St. Berkeley, CA 94703

The Commission may discuss any items listed on the agenda, but may take action only on items identified as Action.

1. Call to Order (Chair): 6:31pm
2. Roll Call (Secretary): Present: Weisberg, Hightower-Gaskin, Fong, Patel, Marshall-Lappe, Astera, Lutzker, Rohn, Meleis, Hughes, Marchesini and Geoghegan. Absent: Kelly.
3. Approval of Agenda (Chair): M/S: Weisberg/Patel. Aye's: Hightower-Gaskin, Fong, Marshall-Lappe, Astera, Lutzker, Rohn, Meleis, Hughes, Marchesini and Geoghegan. Noe's: None. Abstain: Kelly.
4. Approval of Minutes for December 8th, 2025 (Chair): M/S: Weisberg/Patel. Aye's: Hightower-Gaskin, Marshall-Lappe, Astera, Lutzker, Meleis, Hughes, Marchesini and Geoghegan. Noe's: None. Abstain: Kelly, Fong and Rohn.
5. Public Comments (2 min):
6. Chair's Announcements (Chair)
7. Director's Report
8. Discussion: Survey results
9. Discussion: Letter
10. Discussion: Work Plan
11. Discussion: Merch
12. Adjourn: 7:27pm.

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Youth Commission Members

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Kesarwani	Monique Hightower-Gaskin	BUSD/Shanoski	Vacant
Taplin	Reece Fong	BUSD/Babbitt	Karim Meleis
Bartlett	Diya Patel	BUSD/ Chang	Vacant
Tregub	Joshua Swift Rawal	BUSD	Kiara Hugues
Hahn	Ida Marshall-Lappe	BUSD	Vacant
Wengraf	Maia Astera	BUSD	Vacant
Lunaparra	Thea Lutzker	BUSD	Vacant
Humbert	Yoshi Robn	BUSD	Vacant

Mission Statement

The Berkeley Youth Commission identifies the needs of youth, reviews and recommends youth services and recreation programs.