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YOUTH COMMITTEE MEETING

Minutes

July 20, 2026

Radford Studio Center, 4024 Radford Avenue, MPR 3, Studio City, CA 91604

Call to Order & Roll Call by President Jerry Lewis started at 7:00 PM.

- a. Committee Members present: Jessie Cai, Jack Hong, Drew Lattuca, Sean Starsky, Justin Stewart, Daisy Vigueras
- b. Committee Members absent: Ben Arinsburg, Ashlyn Shell, Sophie Shih

The standing announcements set forth in Agenda Items 1(a) through 1(e) were read. These covered public comment and First Amendment protected speech, courtesy toward Radford Studios staff, the limits of stakeholder access to the studio lot, the fact that presentations and stakeholder questions are not an opportunity for two-way conversation, and timekeeping in accordance with the allocations in the agenda.

Public comments were heard on non-agenda items within the Committee's jurisdiction.

Announcements were provided by Government Representatives:

- Alexis Arinsburg and the Committee Members were introduced.

4. Committee Questions and Observations on the Previous Meeting's Knowledge Areas

The knowledge areas under review were the Brown Act, Robert's Rules of Order, and the SCNC Bylaws and Operating Procedures.

Jerry Lewis identified changes he wished to see implemented, drawing on prior attempts to establish a Youth Committee.

5. Components and Provisions of the Committee's Charter

Victoria Brown moved to table this item pending further planning, and the item was tabled.

Before tabling, the Committee discussed the following proposed mission statement:

“The Youth Committee of the Studio City Neighborhood Council mission is to advocate for the youth voices of our city. Through various forums, events, and civic engagement opportunities, the youth committee aims to empower our youth to learn, educate, and serve the community around them.”

6. Key Criteria for the Initial Selection to the SCNC Youth Seat

Victoria Brown raised the question of the order in which members would serve, proposing that each member serve a three-month term beginning the following month.

No criteria were adopted. The Committee carried this item forward to the next meeting.

7. Topics and Speakers for an Upcoming Youth Forum

Committee Members proposed the following topics and speakers:

- Victoria Brown proposed a forum on financial literacy for young people. Sean Starsky suggested inviting Kenneth Mejia as a speaker.
- Jerry Lewis proposed inviting elected and local officials to give talks.
- Drew Lattuca proposed a forum on privacy, specifically Flock cameras, with a speaker from DeFlock or from the LAPD.
- Sean Starsky proposed the Riverwalk at Studio City project as a discussion topic.
- Jack Hong proposed inviting a speaker on civic engagement, in support of a youth engagement campaign and a voting education forum.
- Jessie Cai proposed a job, internship, and volunteer fair tailored to teens, with participation from local businesses.
- Drew Lattuca proposed a forum on the Olympics and how youth can engage with them.

8. Ideas for a Youth-Focused SCNC Event

The Committee discussed which event to pursue first. Proposals are grouped below by type.

Forums and civic engagement

- Jessie Cai proposed a teen town hall. Jerry Lewis noted that this is synonymous with a quarterly youth forum.
- Jerry Lewis proposed outreach to each neighborhood within the Council boundaries.

Arts, music, and film

- Jessie Cai proposed creative workshops, murals, or an art contest. Alexis Arinsburg added that any form of public art contest or display would serve the same purpose, and Jack Hong proposed partnering with small businesses, such as those at Sportsmen’s Lodge.
- Justin Stewart proposed featuring local music groups as a way of engaging city youth.
- Victoria Brown proposed a Front-Porch Series in Studio City, noting that it supports local businesses and musicians.
- Drew Lattuca proposed a film festival.
- Daisy Vigueras proposed movie nights in the park or drive-in movies.

Recreation and wellness

- Daisy Vigueras proposed a sports and wellness series.

Markets and local business

- Alexis Arinsburg proposed a teen flea market.
- Drew Lattuca proposed that the Committee run the next SCNC booth at the Sunday Farmers Market.

Social media campaign

- Model the account on a school ASB account or on Good Morning UCLA.
- Create a TikTok account.
- Have youth review local businesses.
- Run a monthly “Did You Know” campaign.
- Design a separate logo and open a new Instagram account for reels and posts.

Action item: An email containing a poll will be sent to Committee Members to collect and rank suggestions in advance of the next meeting.

9. Next Meeting’s Expectations

The Committee agreed to take up the following items at the next meeting:

- Review the poll results and vote to select the event and youth forum on which the Committee will focus.
- Determine how to proceed with the social media campaign, including the logo design and a new Instagram account, which may require Outreach Committee approval. The “Did You Know” campaign and a “Good Morning” series featuring new and upcoming businesses would run on that account.
- Determine the format and time of future meetings, whether by Zoom or in person.
- Select the order in which the four seniors will serve in the Youth Board Seat.
- Discuss the formation of subcommittees for communications, outreach, social media, and events.

Motion to Adjourn was approved at 8:32pm.