



# Dane County

## Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

### Youth Commission

*Consider:*

*Who benefits? Who is burdened?*

*Who does not have a voice at the table?*

*How can policymakers mitigate unintended consequences?*

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Wednesday, March 17, 2021

5:30 PM

Virtual Zoom Meeting

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#### A. Call To Order

*Staff present: Megan Meinen.*

**Chair Benson called the meeting to order at 5:45 p.m.**

**Present** 6 - SHRIYA KATA, Chair MEGHAN BENSON, ANDREW MCKINNEY, Supervisor ELENA HAASL, Supervisor ALEX JOERS, and Supervisor ARVAN AHUJA

**Absent** 5 - ADAM FEARING, KHADDY JARJOU, MARCIA MORALES, KARI STAMPFLI, and KEMA WILLIAMS

#### B. Consideration of Minutes

[2020  
MIN-511](#)

MINUTES FROM FEBRUARY 24, 2021

**Attachments:** [2021 0224 Youth Commission Minutes](#)

**A motion was made by MCKINNEY, seconded by KATA, to approve the minutes.  
The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** 6 - KATA, BENSON, MCKINNEY, HAASL, JOERS and AHUJA

**Absent:** 5 - FEARING, JARJOU, MORALES, STAMPFLI and WILLIAMS

#### C. Action Items

##### 1. Update on Dane County Youth Assessment and Summit Planning

*The majority of schools are close to completing the DCYA. Completion rates in schools are down this year, especially MMSD. The DCYA subcommittee is working on communicating with MMSD staff and trying to increase numbers.*

*We will be convening an official subcommittee to start planning a Voices of Our Youth Summit in Fall (approx. November) 2022. This subcommittee will be convened around January 2022.*

**This item was not acted on**

## 2. Youth Listening Session Follow Up

*The Commission had been doing Youth Listening sessions before COVID. We discussed taking them up again once in-person meetings are possible, and agreed to make a plan to do so, starting with contacting leaders of community centers to gauge their interest/get their buy in.*

**This item was not acted on**

## 3. Return to In-Person Instruction Support and Advocacy

*The Commission discussed the return to in-person instruction in many Dane County schools and how the Commission might support or provide advocacy at this time. It was agreed we need more time to see how things go as everything is very in flux for now. We will re-visit in April any areas of advocacy.*

**This item was not acted on**

## D. Presentations

### 1. Recap of United Asian Clubs and Consortium Presentation

*The Commission reflected on the presentation given last meeting by the United Asian Clubs and Consortium. We agreed to send them a letter outlining the actions taken that were at least partially influenced by their presentation. Such as, Supervisor Haasl's resolution condemning hate against Asian Americans and renewed discussion of how the Commission might support/advocate racial sensitivity/anti-racism offerings in schools.*

## E. Reports to Committee

## F. Future Meeting Items and Dates

Next meeting: Wednesday, 21 April 2021, 5:30 p.m. via Zoom

## G. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda

## H. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law

## I. Adjournment

**A motion was made by MCKINNEY, seconded by KATA, to adjourn. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** 6 - KATA, BENSON, MCKINNEY, HAASL, JOERS and AHUJA

**Absent:** 5 - FEARING, JARJOU, MORALES, STAMPFLI and WILLIAMS

*The meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.*

*Minutes submitted by Megan Meinen.*