

**COMMUNITY AND YOUTH COMMISSION  
MINUTES  
March 19, 2018  
7:00 p.m.  
City Council Chambers  
259 N. Wilma Avenue  
Ripon, CA**

**Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance:** Meeting called to order at 7:10 by Chairperson D. Ratto.

**Roll Call:** Commissioners J. West, R. Combley, D. Ratto. Z. Thompson – Absent

**Public Discussion:**

**Approval of Minutes:**

Unfinished Business: Discussion to obtain new vendors for the Health Fair was made. R. Combley will send letters to last year's vendors for participation this year. Commissioners will gather leads to obtain additional vendors. D. Ratto suggested that inviting companies with eco-friendly products or services would be great. We will need to find out this year if the parking lot near Main street will be available for our Health Fair.

D. Ratto will inquire about space availability. It was nice to know that past commissioners E. Newland and J. Garzoli will donate their time with the Health Fair this year. Their time is most appreciated.

Discussion to have an event to honor our elders in our community was to have a Senior Day. Suggestions were made as to how we could plan this event. Meeting with the Senior Center to get their view would be helpful in coordinating this event. Commissioners will setup meeting with board members from the Senior Center.

Commissions goal is to have a junior student from each high school join our commission. D. Ratto will contact the lifecoach from each school to inquire about selecting someone for us. Most students we've had in the past joined the commission as seniors. They have been helpful in giving us suggestions on different subjects, although after graduation, they leave soon as they're off to college. Bringing in students as juniors gives them more time with the commission, therefore, giving the commission an easier grasp for their replacement. We enjoy having suggestions and opinions from young voices of our community.

**New Business:**

One of our goals for this year is to celebrate the end of the school year for all K-8 schools. We came up with having an ice cream day. The commission is working on coordinating this event. Commissioners J. West and Z. Thompson will bring back info on this event for next commission meeting.

**Informational Item:**

Diane Ratto  
Signed

Date

April 11, 2018