

Report to: General Committee

Date Report Authored: September 2, 2011

SUBJECT:

Appointment of Members to the Mayor's Youth Task Force

for the Period September 1, 2011 – June 30, 2012

PREPARED BY:

Marsha Mariani, Recreation Coordinator,

Program & Outreach Coordinator

RECOMMENDATION:

1) That the following appointments to the Mayor's Youth Task Force be confirmed for the term September 1, 2011, to June 30, 2012:

LEGEND: ☑ - Returning

	NAME	SCHOOL	GRADE
MARKHAM	☑ Joey Loi (Co -Chair)	High School	12
	☑Carmen Chen	High School	11
	☑Guruparan Bagawan	High School	12
	☑Marck Mercado	High School	12
	☑Shirley Long	High School	12
	Annie Sun	High School	10
	Jeoffre Braga	High School	
UNIONVILLE	☑Adrian Proestos	High School	12
	☑Kush Thaker (Co-Chair)	High School	12
	☑Christine Hui	High School	11
	Christofer Ristovski	High School	11
	Justin Leung	High School	12
	Tiffany Chan	High School	10
	☑Janice Chu	High School	12
MILLIKEN	☑Emily Do	High School	10
	Cadesha Bennett	High School	10
THORNHILL	☑ Kevin Jen	High School	11
	☑Lydia Chan	High School	12
	☑River Wong	High School	11
	David Zand	High School	10
`	Shloka Saini	High School	12

2) And that Staff be authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution.

PURPOSE:

The purpose of the report is to confirm appointments to the Mayor's Youth Task Force.

BACKGROUND:

The Mayor's Youth Task Force (MYTF) was created in 1994 by former Mayor Don Cousens to address issues that are pertinent to youth in the community. The group's mandate is:

- 1. To act in an advisory capacity, provide advice on issues of concern to youth.
- 2. To act in an advocacy role, provide new ideas and views to council and staff.
- 3. To raise awareness in the community through planned events (e.g. Youth Week, Youth Forums, Youth Job Fair, etc.).
- 4. To encourage youth participation within the community.

The MYTF is a group of elementary and high school students from the Town of Markham who meet twice a month to plan events and discuss issues facing youth. The purpose of the MYTF is to provide local youth a voice by which they may give input and develop initiatives to enhance youth opportunities within the Town of Markham.

In addition, Marsha Mariani, Recreation Coordinator, Programs and Outreach will be the Coordinator of the Task Force and Colin Service, Manager Planning and Policy Development will act as staff liaison from the Recreation Services Department.

Nominations into the MYTF are conducted in late May of every year. The nomination process includes:

- Call for community members to join the Mayor's Youth Task Force
- An online application form must be filled and submitted. (www.markhamyouth.com)
- An interview with a panel of MYTF members (2 chairs and 1 senior manager)
- Confirmation to the Task Force is completed in late August for the 20011-2012 term.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS AND TEMPLATE: (external link)

No financial implications are to be considered in this report.

HUMAN RESOURCES CONSIDERATIONS

Not applicable.

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIC PRIORITIES:

Not applicable

BUSINESS UNITS CONSULTED AND AFFECTED:

Not applicable.

RECOMMENDED

BY:

Mary Creighton

Director of Recreation Services

Brenda Librecz

Commissioner of Community

and Fire Services

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