



STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS
FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
LOS ANGELES COUNTY YOUTH COMMISSION'S
YOUTH ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE (YEC)
KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION
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Monday, October 6, 2025

6:30 PM

Video for the entire meeting. (25-4843)

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I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

1. Call to Order, Roll Call, and Land Acknowledgement. (25-4035)

YEC Chair Sherrie Bradford, called the meeting to order at 6:40 p.m. Staff conducted Roll Call. Commissioner Clarissa Peña read the County's Land Acknowledgment.

Present: Commissioner Sherrie Bradford, Commissioner Amanda Hernandez, Commissioner Clarissa Peña and Commissioner Joseph Roa

Absent: Commissioner Mercedes Jackson

2. Approval of minutes from the meeting of September 8, 2025. (25-4298)

On motion of Commissioner Clarissa Peña, seconded by Commissioner Joseph Roa, and duly carried, the minutes from the meeting of September 8, 2025 were approved as follows:

Ayes: 3 - Commissioner Sherrie Bradford, Commissioner Clarissa Peña and Commissioner Joseph Roa

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Mercedes Jackson

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II. DISCUSSION

3. Discussion on planning for the YEC End-Year Event. (25-4062)

YEC Chair Sherrie Bradford, opened the floor for discussion regarding the End- Year Event. Commissioner Clarissa Peña discussed the various questions that will be posed to the service providers and youth with lived experience along with the process in which the questions will be asked.

A lengthy discussion ensued regarding the event schedule and proposed activities. During discussion, the following suggestions were made:

- Use data to generate greater discussion on the questions.**
- Each activity ought to be connected to a question, such as a Resource Navigation Question, then building upon that with a Reflection Question.**

Commissioner Peña clarified that the Five Corners Session will be based on Reflection questions to both the youth and service providers. She suggested a question regarding challenges for youth under age 18, and challenges for service providers in meeting the needs of that demographic.

Commissioner Amanda Hernandez provided nine specific questions to ask the youth and service providers. Discussion ensued regarding how the questions should be connected to the Five Focus Areas as a Reflection Question. The Five Focus Areas are: Mental Health; Education; Employment; Entertainment; and Housing.

- Reflective Question 1: For Youth - What was most challenging for you between the ages of 15 through 18? For Service Providers – What focus areas are most challenging in meeting the needs of youth ages 15 through 18?**
- Reflection Question 2: For both Youth and Service Providers - Which of the Five Focus Areas resonated with you most in 2025?**
Reflection Question 3: For Youth - Are you aware of collaborating partnerships within the Five Focus Areas? For Service Providers - Which of the Five Focus Areas engage in cross-collaboration?
- Reflection Question 4: For Youth - Did you have a plan when you exited out of care, and what was the focus area you needed most at that time? For Service Providers - What focus area would you like to build on for your next strategic plan?**

- **Reflection Question 5: For Youth - What programs, services, information, training, financial support, etc. did you receive while in care? For Service Providers - What services, programs, information, training, financial support, etc. do you provide?**

Commissioner Joseph Roa reviewed information regarding the Session on Mental Health and spoke about a Public Service Announcement (PSA) regarding alternative methods of healing that he would like to present at the End-Year Event. He also spoke about the guest speaker.

Discussion ensued on how the PSA can be integrated into the End-Year Event. After discussion it was determined that, with the Department of Mental Health's permission, the PSA will be shown, with a question session conducted afterwards. The questions will be developed and shared with the Commission prior to the End-Year Event.

Also discussed was utilizing visual aids to present data on each focus area and having a safe space area for youth to retreat to if needed.

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III. MISCELLANEOUS

4. Opportunity for members of the public to provide comments to the Commission on item(s) not on the agenda, that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Commission. (25-4068)

No members of the public addressed the Youth Engagement Committee.

5. Adjournment. (25-4075)

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 3, 2025, at 6:30 p.m.

On motion of Commissioner Amanda Hernandez, seconded by Commissioner Joseph Roa, there being no objection, the meeting was adjourned at 8:28 p.m.