

The Brighton Youth Commission  
Formal Meeting Minutes  
April 1st, 2021

Absences-

Excused: Annie West, Connor Federocko, Dahaan Medina, Emilio Sena, Esmi Chaparro, Jayelin Adame, Josie Martinez, Kirby Federocko, Logan Flanagan, Jorie Burns, Stephanie Guilliams, Tessa Davis

Unexcused: None

Business-

1. Boards and Commissions Updates

a. 27J Update

- CMAS Science for 11th graders will not be administered. Assessment schedules that have been shared to families previously will be changing and will be specific to each school.
- High school students will be taking the PSAT/SAT in mid-April. Scheduling depends on the high school you attend.
- 27J is doubling the number of in-person attendance for high school students starting next week (April 6th). This is school specific; students need to make sure they know what their in-person attendance days and times are by Tuesday. Students who selected the virtual option at any point during the school year are not eligible to return in-person for the remainder of the 20-21 school year.
- 27J is moving ahead with the Online School (K-12) next year for students who wish to continue online. Students will need to complete the online application on the 27J website.
- Students 16 and up are eligible to receive the COVID vaccine. Check with your health care provider for more information.

b. City Council Update

- A city account got hacked and a lot of money was almost lost. The city was able to trace where it ended up and recovered the account. They will work on their cybersafety so that this does not happen again.
- The city would like to get a new water treatment plant for residents.

c. Parks and Recreation Advisory Board

- The next meeting is Wednesday, April 7th.
- Youth should care about this board because they discuss the fundamentals of parks, trails, etc.

- Youth will directly impact the future of Brighton, and with younger generations involved with open spaces and parks, we are able to bring in new ideas to the city for future residents.
- Youth can get involved by bringing up ideas or issues to the board through a representative or a meeting.

d. Legacy Foundation

- No update.

e. Planning Commission

- The most recent meeting was March 11th.
- A new Chair and a new Vice-Chair were elected.
- Two applicants requested approval to run in-home daycares. Both applicants had smaller daycares before, however, a larger daycare would allow them to care for more kids (12) at a time. Both applicants were approved to run larger in-home daycares.
- This is important and relevant because child care is a huge topic in our community. Daycares are in high demand since parents are going to work now and they need a place for the younger kids to go.
- Youth can get involved by advocating for these issues.

f. Historic Preservation Commission

- The commission is editing the oral histories videos that will be going on their YouTube page.
- The Buddhist Temple, an object that belongs to this commission, will be airing on the Rocky Mountain PBS channel on May 6th.
- The commission will be electing officers during their next meeting.
- Youth should care about historic preservation because they are a part of the city's history. It is also important to know about Brighton's history so we can understand the importance of some monuments, statues, etc.
- Youth can get involved by volunteering at the museum or by asking around about Brighton's history.

g. Arts and Culture

- Cultural Arts Commission

- No update.

- Public Art Committee

- The most recent meeting was on March 22nd.
- Andrea was approved as a youth representative to sit on the board. They reached out to her to meet to discuss the questions she submitted to them.

- The committee would like to make the plaza by Wells Fargo feel more like a plaza by making the sign more visible, installing more sculptures, and adding more benches.
- The “Play Ball” statue has been installed in the city. “Remote Control” and “Open Heart” will be getting installed soon as well.
- They would like to get plaques on all of Brighton’s sculptures to share the art’s name, the artist, and potentially the meaning/inspiration.
- In order to begin the committee’s presence on the city website, a map of where all statues reside has been suggested to be added to the city website.
- Main Street Creatives, a gallery in Brighton, is fully open now! They are trying to get artist salons open again.
- Youth should care about the Public Art Committee because it covers the art that is put up around Brighton. So far, none of the art in our city is by young artists, meaning we are not being represented.
- Youth can get involved by expressing their concerns to the committee at a meeting or through Andrea.

## 2. Vaccine Opportunity

- All Colorado teens 16 and older are now eligible to receive the Pfizer vaccine. Those who are 18 and older can receive the Moderna or Johnson & Johnson vaccines. You can sign up for one through this link:  
<http://mychart.sclhealth.org/?fbclid=IwAR00escOyLai-88UGO9wgGkhRMpxfUNXLhsiPu2gLqb7P8so1L6JElaxvpk> (Try to check this link every day at 4pm.)
- Or here:  
<https://www.centura.org/covid-19/covid-19-vaccine-information/vaccine-events?fbclid=IwAR2GHPGojzHQGoJRg5D-yhQX6Jk0FkYdpve9S14cUUWvLgSbfrHFWywJGGo>

## 3. Permission Slip Update

- Abby still needs permission slips from the following:  
Ashley S, Emmanuel, Esmi, Fiona, Jayelin, Kaela, Jorie, Prisylla, Reagen, Sophia, Vivian
- You can find the permission slips here:  
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1ZKFfCM87Cdl-2mSyM7gmRrbWIE3BbR82KETFYCAxfw/mobilebasic>
- Keep in mind that the signature must be an actual signature! It can’t be typed.

## 4. BYC Recruitment

- Interviews for Youth Corps members who would like to become BYC members will be held soon.

- Vivian, Nicole, Ashley C, Diana, Andrea, Cynthia, Alijah, Reagen, Fernando, and Kaela are interested in helping.

#### 5. Entrepreneurship Program Update

- If you have hobbies you would like to expand and potentially begin a business with, sign up for this program! <https://forms.gle/NxgK4epMbLcrRtoP8>
- For more info, go to the city website or email Rachel at [rnulle@brightonco.gov](mailto:rnulle@brightonco.gov)

#### 6. Communication

- Be an active member of the BYC by checking your email, messages, and Google Calendar frequently.
- Ask your committee what you can do to help!

#### 7. SPEAK Proclamation

- Every year, city council gives the BYC a SPEAK proclamation to show that it is something important in Brighton.
- Come to represent the BYC on April 20th at 6PM at the virtual city council meeting.

#### 8. SPEAK

- The eventbrite registration is open! Spread the word that everyone can register through [speak5k.org](http://speak5k.org).
- It has been confirmed that this is the 10th Annual SPEAK. In honor of this, we'd like to film a video.
- Please sign your name in the business contact sheet. Every youth commissioner is required to call at least one business to ask for a coupon.
- <https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/171ERwG5S0BbpZwHHuhvsNwr0SmFRmNXv1eHePzDemrg/edit>

