

*"Bringing the Youth of Kyle Front and Center"*



# KAYAC

Kyle Area Youth Advisory Council

2015-2016 YEAR IN  
REVIEW

## Our Purpose

"KAYAC shall be advisory in nature and has been created for the purpose of providing a youthful Point of view for the Kyle City Council on community affairs and issues."

~KAYAC By-Laws



BRINGING THE YOUTH OF KYLE



**Motto:**

“Bringing the youth of Kyle Front and Center”

**Vision Statement:**

KAYAC strives to incorporate the youths’ voice and presence within the community and with City matters. We continue to promote community, service, cooperation and awareness among the youth of Kyle while elevating interest and involvement in City matters

**Mission Statement:**

KAYAC’s mission is to provide the means for direction representation of the youth view-points, to incite collaborative communication between peers, and to promote community involvement among the youth.

## KAYAC Members



- **TOP:**  
Nate McHale, Luke Jackson,  
Aiden O’Keefe, Alex Moore,  
Nathaniel Garcia
- **BOTTOM:**  
Hanna Malott, Lila Ramos,  
Destiny Cabrera
- **NOT PICTURED:**  
Andy Garza, Jonathon Lopez,  
Alexus Dennen, Dalton Tristan,  
Rob Brown, Melysa Alvarez



## KAYAC Leadership 2015-2016

- **Jonathan Lopez**  
- CHAIR
- **Andy Garza**  
- VICE CHAIR, CITY COUNCIL LIAISON, & TREASURER
- **Melysa Alvarez**  
- SECRETARY

## KAYAC Department Liaison Assignments

<b>Admin:</b> - Robert Brown	<b>Finance:</b> - Jonathan Lopez	<b>Parks and Recreation:</b> - Hanna Malott and Luke Jackson
<b>Building:</b> - Nathaniel Garcia	<b>Information Technology:</b> - Meghan Murphy	<b>Planning:</b> - Alex Moore
<b>City Engineer:</b> - Dalton Tristan	<b>Library:</b> - Lila Ramos	<b>Police Department:</b> - Jonathan Lopez
<b>Communications:</b> - Alexis Dennen	<b>Municipal Court:</b> - Melysa Alvarez	<b>Public Works:</b> - Aiden O'Keefe
<b>Economic Development:</b> - Andy Garza		



## Meetings

- Meetings every two weeks
- Youth run, By-Laws
- Open Meetings Act Compliant
- Discussion on City Council Items
- Reports on Department Liaison meetings
- Subcommittee meetings to work on various projects



## Accomplishments *and* Projects



## Community Involvement

- City Tour and Staff Presentations
- Santa's Arrival
- Kyle Teen Night
- Kyle Founders Parade
- Food Drive



## 2016 Texas YAC Summit

- Guest speakers: John Register and Jessie Funk
- Group icebreakers and networking sessions
- Topic presentations on the Pearland YAC interview process, the Easter egg donations,
- Meeting with representatives from other cities
- Fun activities and breaks to interact with other members
- Soles4Souls project



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Training for a Stronger Future

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16th Annual Texas  
Youth Advisory Commission Summit  
**February 20-21, 2016**  
Pearland, Texas



## Teen Night Luau

- Beach Luau theme
- Hosted at Kyle Pool
- Annual event
- Catered to middle and high school students
- Aspects of Event:
  - Swimming
  - Food
  - Games
  - Volleyball
- Participation has increased each year



## Subcommittee Projects

- Downtown Project
  - Fountain
  - Landscaping
- Skate park Project
  - Planned Design
  - Funding Ideas
  - Estimated Benefits to the City
  - Facebook Page
- Outreach
  - Newsletter
  - Social Media



## Other Accomplishments



- Membership Increase
- Raised funds from Santa's Arrival, Teen Night, Easter Eggtravaganza
- Community and Student Awareness
- Revision of By-Laws

## Looking Ahead

- Annual Kyle Teen Night Luau
- Continue to Expand Representation
- Capstone Project
- Volunteer regularly- Voter Education, Food Bank, City Departments, etc.
- Continue department liaisons
- Continuing to take leadership roles in the community and among peers
- Continue to build team
- Interview new applicants for KAYAC



## New Leadership 2016-2017

- Chair: Luke Jackson
- Vice Chair: Aiden O'Keefe
- Secretary: Lila Ramos
- City Council Liaison: Megan Murphy

## A Special Thank You

The future of Kyle will be a bright one, and, thanks to the continued support of our City Council, City Staff, and citizens, that dream is becoming more of a reality every day.

We thank you so much for the incredible opportunities you have afforded us and appreciate your interest and investment in our efforts and accomplishments.

