



Youth Commission Meeting Minutes - Final

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Chris Gawlikowski
Evan George
Matthew Hans
Mei James
Abigail Reynolds
Yusuf Sayedy
Lilianna Turk
Jackson Young

Monday, March 9, 2026

6:30 PM

Town Hall
Council Chambers
100 N. Wilcox Street
Castle Rock, CO 80104

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CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

This meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM.

Present 9 - Abigail Reynolds, Chair Evan George, Treasurer Jackson Young, Secretary Mei James, Commissioner Ryan Agresti, Commissioner Chris Gawlikowski, Commissioner Matthew Hans, Commissioner Yusuf Sayedy, and Commissioner Lilianna Turk

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

[MIN 2026-007](#) **Minutes: February 2026 Youth Commission Meeting**

"I move to approve the February meeting minutes as presented."

Vice Chair Reynolds approved the motion. Treasurer Jackson seconded the motion.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Douglas County High School Senior class president, Jesminda Richmond, came to the Youth Commission to provide an invitation to the Douglas County Showdown, being held on April 11 at 1:30 PM. At this event, high school seniors will be going to a senior resident center where there will a bracket-style showdown of games and competitions between the senior residents and the students. Jesminda came to the Commission with the hopes of building awareness and volunteers for the event.

COUNCIL LIAISON COMMENTS

The Youth Commission Liaison acknowledged the hard work and comradery of the Commission.

YOUTH COMMISSION COORDINATOR COMMENTS

The Youth Commission Coordinator, Becca Schnorr, announced that this will be her last meeting as she is resigning and moving back to her home state of Iowa.

YOUTH COMMISSION MEMBER COMMENTS

Youth Commissioner Turk discussed her scheduling conflict for the upcoming Douglas County Youth Commission Meet and Greet and that she is going to change schools for the following school year and will be able to represent Douglas County High School at that time.

Vice Chair Reynolds highlighted Castle View High School's Wish Week successes; emphasizing the youth's excitement to give and the unity that was displayed.

Chairman George briefly discussed upcoming action items, emphasizing voting procedures for the upcoming Rising Star scholarship. It was also mentioned that the Town of Castle Rock Youth Commission application for the 2026-2027 school year is opening in April and updates to the Youth Commission bylaws will be needed.

ACTION ITEMS

[YC 2026-007](#)

DECA and Youth Commission Spikeball Fundraiser Tournament

This Spikeball fundraiser between the Youth Commission and DECA will be held the evening of April 19 at the Miller Activity Center from 5 PM to 9 PM. Only those ages 14 and up can participate and the Youth Commission will donate food and beverages totaling no more than \$300.00 to this event. Due to this donation, it has been requested that the Town of Castle Rock Youth Commission logo be used.

"I move that the Youth Commission partner with DECA on the Spikeball Fundraiser at the MAC and authorize the use of up to \$300 in Youth Commission funds for concessions to be provided free to participants while promoting Youth Commission outreach at the event."

Commissioner Agresti approved the motion. Chair George seconded the motion.

[YC 2026-008](#)

Special Voting Procedures for the Rising Star Scholarship

Chair George proposed updated voting procedures for the Rising Star Scholarship. These updates include requiring that all applicant names be redacted before reviewing submitted applications. Commissioners must review the applications prior to the Youth Commission meeting so they are prepared to discuss candidate merits during the meeting. Each commissioner is required to provide input at least once, and a roll call vote will be conducted to select the top four and, ultimately, the top two candidates for the scholarship.

"I move to proceed with the special voting procedures as introduced by Chair George."

Chair George approved this motion. Vice-chair Reynolds seconded the motion.

[YC 2026-009](#)

2026 Youth Commission Recruitment Process and Potential Bylaw Update

Youth Commission recruitment will take place from April 1 through April 27. The recruitment interviews will be conducted by two current Youth Commission members, Chair George and Commissioner Turk, as well as Councilmember Dietz, and one Town staff member being present during the recruitment

interviews.

Motion 1

"I move that the Youth Commission designate Commissioner Turk and Chair George to serve as representatives for participating in this year's Youth Commission recruitment interviews."

Chair George approved this motion. Vice-chair Reynolds seconded this motion.

Motion 2

"I move that the Youth Commission adopt the potential bylaws update, to reflect that freshmen are not eligible to apply for appointment to the Youth Commission for the 2026/2027 school year and beyond."

Chair George approved this motion. Vice-chair Reynolds seconded this motion.

Yes: 6 - Reynolds, Chair George, Secretary James, Commissioner Agresti, Commissioner Gawlikowski, and Commissioner Turk

No: 3 - Treasurer Young, Commissioner Hans, and Commissioner Sayedy

[YC 2026-010](#)

Outstanding Youth Leadership and Service in Castle Rock Award

Chair George nominated Dani Buck, a junior at Douglas County High School who serves as Secretary of the Student Council. She was recognized as a hardworking member who has helped raise significant funds through her involvement. Genevieve Reynolds was also nominated for the Outstanding Youth Leadership and Service in Castle Rock award. Genevieve has completed over 140 volunteer hours, and as a Girl Scout, Reynolds has participated in extensive volunteer work and is also involved in Teen Court.

"I move to recognize the recipients Dani Buck and Genevieve Reynolds for outstanding youth leadership and service in the Town of Castle Rock."

Chair George approved this motion. Secretary James seconded this motion.

ADJOURN

"I move to adjourn the March 9 Youth Commission meeting."

Vice-chair Reynolds approved the motion. Secretary James seconded the motion.

This meeting adjourned at 7:47 PM.