CCCA Student Commission – June Meeting (6/5/2016)

Meeting Minutes

**Location**: Westlake Village Civic Center in the Large Community Room (31200 Oak Crest Drive, Westlake Village, CA 91361)

**Time**: 1:30 PM – 3:30 PM

**Attendees:**

* CCCA: Wen Chien, Lana Shiu
* Officers: Benjamin Yang, Tian Ye, Andy Jin, Michelle Chen
* Student Commissioners: Connie Ye, Andrew Yang, Vikkie Jiang
* Guest Speaker: Jason Bie
* SC Applicants: Matthew Wimberley, Victor Zhou, Amari Huang, Katelin Zhou, Kevin Chen
* Guests: Irwin Ke, Kevin Ding, Li Chen, Zhihua Zhang, Li Sun, Guangcai Zhou, Hao Chen, Yali Chen, Ming Ye

**Absentees**: Wencheng Li, Kyle Lee, Alyssa Li, Jane Zhang

**Meeting Minute Recorder(s)**: Andrew Yang & Michelle Chen

Schedule

1. **Opening** – Benjamin Yang
   1. A reminder for everyone to submit their summer schedules so that we may plan summer events, such as the potentially upcoming fundraiser.
   2. Everyone can brainstorm fundraising ideas on their own time.
2. **Remarks** – Wen Chien
   1. A tip for public speaking: when you first step onto the stage, adjust yourself. Balance your weight, and spend several seconds on centering yourself. This will help your concentration as you “center” your mind.
   2. “YOLO” – You Only Live Once. Make the most out of your life, and create your own unique story. Though it may be hard to avoid comparing yourself to others, focus on your own definition of success.
3. **Introduction of Jason Bie, Guest Speaker** – Andy Jin
   1. Jason created the Super Joey Foundation dedicated to his son, Joey, who was diagnosed with Stage III cancer at an early age. Despite this, Joey remained optimistic.
   2. When Joey eventually passed, Jason started the foundation, a registered non-profit public charity organization.
   3. The foundation supports families impacted by childhood cancer
   4. The Super Joey Foundation hosts a variety of events, including Meals of Love (in conjunction with McDonald’s) and Joey’s Gifts.
   5. Jason hopes that Student Commissioners will be interested in helping the foundation spread love.
4. **Guest Speaker** – Jason Bie
   1. “Love will never fade.” – [www.SuperJoey.org](http://www.SuperJoey.org)
   2. Although Joey lost his battle against cancer, his spirit will live on. The mission of the Super Joey Foundation is to support the families that are affected by childhood cancer, as no child should ever fight cancer alone.
   3. Tian Ye, the Deputy Student Commissioner, organized a volunteering opportunity with other Westlake High School students at the Ronald McDonald House in May, where the foundation hosts Meal of Love, free meals for families battling childhood cancer.
   4. The foundation also hosts a program called Joey's Gifts, where toys and electronics are collected and donated to those families in need.
   5. Remember that some children don’t have the same opportunities as the privileged majority. Improve the quality of their lives.
   6. The Super Joey Foundation may be found on social media at /SuperJoeyTeam on Facebook, and @SuperJoeyTeam on Twitter.
   7. “Each life is a gift, no matter how short, no matter how fragile. Each life is indeed a gift to be held in our hearts forever.”
   8. Regardless of whatever hardships may await us, remain positive.
5. **Audience suggestions regarding Super Joey Foundation**
   1. Extending Joey's Gifts to *siblings* of kids with childhood cancer (waiting rooms, etc.)
   2. Sanitation: brand new?/used?
6. **Student Commissioner Selection Process**: Presentation, Q&A
   1. Matthew Wimberley – sophomore at Agoura.
      1. Matthew has been a part of the CCCA for a long time, and he participates in Cross Country; he has learned many lessons about perseverance from a certain experience in which he became dehydrated from running without breaks. In addition, he is dedicated to music as well as the Asia Club at Agoura, of which he is the Vice President. He aims to promote the Chinese culture through the Asia club as well as his time with the CCCA.
   2. Victor Zhou – sophomore at Agoura.
      1. Victor is a Teacher’s Assistant for the Thousand Oaks Chinese School, helping the students of Class 3-D and Beginner’s Chess on Saturdays every week. He also participates in the Math Honors Society (MHS) of Agoura, and has been involved in numerous CCCA activities so far. Victor is interested in planning and organizing events to increase productivity.
   3. Amari Huang presented for Jane Zhang – freshman at Westlake.
      1. Jane is a hardworking and diligent swimmer who is also invested in dance. The years she has spent swimming have taught her, above all else, to never give up and work even harder, pushing for faster swim times, better performance, and further excellence.
   4. Katelin Zhou – freshman at Westlake.
      1. Katelin participates in orchestra as well as numerous on-campus activities at Westlake such as FBLA. She is fond of the Hand in Hand organization, and greatly enjoys helping children in need. Growing up, Katelin has always been very talkative and energetic. Now as an incoming sophomore, she converts this energy into the enthusiasm that allows her to work tirelessly.
   5. Kevin Chen – sophomore at Newbury Park.
      1. Kevin has come a long way in his time spent as an AYSO referee. Through conflicts between coaches and team members alike, he learned to grasp a better understanding of the sport, and ultimately excel in what he does. Through his experiences in being a referee, he has learned also to assert himself and be confident. Kevin is also passionate towards music, and plays multiple instruments.
7. **Overview of the Student Commission Logo Competition** – Andy Jin
   1. There are four entries that have been submitted thus far.
   2. A vote was held, and eleven people – the majority – voted for opening up the competition to more entries.
   3. If the design features certain races or nationalities, it should be extended to encompass all people as to show CCCA's goal to bring in people of all backgrounds.
8. **Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) Discussion** – Michelle Chen
   1. 3 Guest Student Commissioners who are notably dedicated may be selected to become interns. These interns will not be defaulted to official Student Commissioners in the next election term; *however*, they will have an advantage from their experience working with the CCCA.
   2. Student Commissioners do not need to be assigned to fastened positions; rather, it is important to delegate responsibilities amongst the group as a whole for the sake of maximizing efficiency. This applies to SC officers as well.
   3. The Election Committee should consist of all Student Commissioners, who deserve a say in who they will be working with in the future.
9. **Closing** – Lana
   1. The meeting was productive, and the Student Commission is growing evermore.
10. **Voting** – Election Committee
    1. The results: Victor Zhou, Katelin Zhow, and Kevin Chen will fill up the 3 vacancies as official Student Commissioners. Matthew Wimberley and Jane Zhang are interns for the Student Commission.