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**NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**  
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**MEETING DATE:** July 9, 2024

**TO:** Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Jeffrey Thorsby, Chief of Staff/Clerk of the Board

**SUBJECT:** Appointments of Member-at-Large and District Representatives to the Nevada County Youth Commission for one-year terms ending June 30, 2025

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**RECOMMENDATION:** Approve the reappointments of Mario Lamarca, Frank Post, Arianna Drageset, Mackenzie Rist, Harris Nelson, as member-at-large representatives. The reappointment of Ari Funk as District 1 Representative, Ahna Taliaferro-Watson as District 3 Representative, Walter Melvin as District 4 Representative, and Ninel Hernandez to District 5 representative. The appointments of Emma Crawford, Tova Rothert, Grant Lacosse, Maura Griffin, Graham Gardemeyer, Graciella Martin, Randy Garcia, and Estefania Gaitan Meza as members-at-large representatives. Appointment of Jaylen Hale as District 2 Representative. All appointments for one-year terms ending June 30, 2025.

**FUNDING:** N/A

**BACKGROUND:**

Currently, there are sixteen positions and two vacancies on the Nevada County Youth Commission. One position for representative from each of the five supervisorial districts for one-year terms ending June 30, 2025. Eleven positions for members-at-large members (non-supervisorial district specific) for one-year term ending June 30, 2025. Two vacancies for Members-at-Large for one year term beginning July 1 and ending June 30, 2025. These positions and vacancies were advertised and posted for a minimum of ten days at the following places: the Board of Supervisors Chambers bulletin board, the Board of Supervisors office, and the County website. Notice was also posted at the Truckee Town Hall and the District V Board of Supervisors office in Truckee.

Ari Funk submitted an application for reappointment to the commission on May 4, 2024.

Jaylen Hale submitted an application for appointment to the commission on May 8, 2024.

Ahna Taliaferro-Watson submitted an application for reappointment to the commission on April 30, 2024.

Walter Helvin submitted an application for reappointment to the commission on April 23, 2024.

Ninel Hernandez submitted an application for reappointment as to the commission on April 29, 2024.

Mario LaMarca submitted an application for reappointment to the commission on May 4, 2024.

Frank Post submitted an application for reappointment to the commission on April 29, 2024.

Emma Crawford submitted an application for appointment to the commission on April 22, 2024.

Tova Rothert submitted an application for appointment to the commission on May 7, 2024.

Grant Lacosse submitted an application for appointment to the commission on May 6, 2024.

Maura Griffin submitted an application for appointment to the commission on April 22, 2024.

Arianna Drageset submitted an application for reappointment to the commission on May 6, 2024.

Graham Gardemeyer submitted an application for appointment to the commission on April 22, 2024.

Mackenzie Rist submitted an application for reappointment to the commission on May 6, 2024.

Harris Nelson submitted an application for reappointment to the commission on May 6, 2024.

Garciella Martin submitted an application for appointment to the commission on April 30, 2024.

Randy Garcia submitted an application for appointment to the commission on April 22, 2024.

Estefania Gaitain Meza submitted an application for appointment to the commission on May 2, 2024.

All applicants were interviewed by the Youth Commission Coordinator, Jeff Dellis, and are recommended for appointment to the following positions:

District 1 Representative – Ari Funk  
District 2 Representative – Jaylen Hale  
District 3 Representative - Ahna Taliaferro-Watson  
District 4 Representative - Walter Helvin  
District 5 Representative – Ninel Hernandez

Members-at-Large

Mario LaMarca  
Frank Post  
Emma Crawford  
Tova Rothert  
Grant Lacosse  
Maura Griffin  
Arianna Drageset  
Graham Gardemeyer  
Mackenzie Rist  
Harris Nelson  
Garciella Martin  
Randy Garcia  
Estefania Gaitan Meza

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Item Initiated: Claire Swanson, Deputy Clerk to the Board  
Approved: Jeffrey Thorsby, Chief of Staff/Clerk of the Board  
Submittal Date: June 19, 2024