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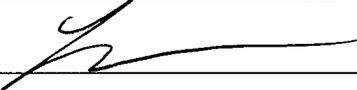
Title:Appointment of Catherine Quinn as member,
Seattle Youth Commission, for a term of
confirmation to June 1, 2011.

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**City of Seattle
Notice of Appointment**

Name: Catherine Quinn		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Executive Appointment <input type="checkbox"/> Legislative Appointment <input type="checkbox"/> Agency Appointment <input type="checkbox"/> PDA Council <input type="checkbox"/> PDA Constituency
Residential Neighborhood: Whitecenter	Zip Code:	Contact Phone No.: 206-618-8748
Appointed to: Seattle Youth Commission		Date of Appointment: 6/28/10
Authority (Ord., Res.): 123251		Term of Office: From: Confirmation To: 06/01/2011
Comments:		
Authorizing Signature: 		Name and Title of Officer Making Appointments: Michael McGinn, Mayor

Confirmed by the Following Vote at City Council

In Favor: 8	Against: 0	Date: 6-28-10
Attested by: 		Title:





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Seattle Department of Neighborhoods

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SYC Second Year Application 2010-11

APPLICATIONS DUE Wednesday, May 12th, 2010

APPLICATION FORM

Name: Catherine Quinn

Neighborhood: West Seattle/Fremont

Address: [REDACTED]

Apt. #:

Zip Code: [REDACTED]

E-mail Address: [REDACTED]

Home Phone: [REDACTED]

Cell Phone: [REDACTED]

As an applicant for the Seattle Youth Commission, I fully understand and agree to the commitment and expectations of the program. I am aware that missing more than two meetings is unacceptable and may result in removal from the Seattle Youth Commission.

Applicant's Name (please print)

Signature

Date

I am aware that the youth named above is applying to be a member of the 2010-2011 Seattle Youth Commission and I have reviewed the program expectations above.

Parent/Guardian Name (please print)

Signature

Date



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Please answer the following questions:

1. How would you rate your participation in this past year? (1 = low, 5 = high)

1	2	3	4	5
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Why?

I invested a lot of time into S.Y.C., with what I hope are good results

2. What is your motivation for serving a 2nd term on the Seattle Youth Commission?

I have had a lot of fun this year, and made a lot of good friends. It has been really cool talking to the mayor and the city council because it seems like they really do value our input. I would like to keep working with them to help improve our city.

3. What are the three most valuable lessons you learned during your first term on the Seattle Youth Commission? What was the most challenging aspect of this past year's SYC?

The most challenging aspect of this past year has been putting together my proposal with my group. It was nice not really having any boundaries with what we could propose, but that also made it difficult to narrow it down to just one thing. In school I'm used to a very strict rubric, and the freedom of our policy proposal almost made the task daunting. Now that I've finished my proposal, I feel a lot more confident about doing it again. As for the three most valuable lessons, number one is definitely how to be responsible for myself, by showing up and doing my work. Because I was working with a group the entire year, it was very important for me to be dependant and accessible for my team members. Number two would be that you cannot be too specific on your proposal. The more details the better! For the third one, I think I've also learned a little bit on how to behave in a professional environment, which is really important when you're interacting with the city council and the mayor.





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4. What skills or knowledge did you gain from your involvement in last year's SYC? What skills or knowledge are you interested in deepening this year on the SYC?

Many of my skills have improved because of SYC. Public speaking has become easier for me because I have done a lot of it this year. My teamwork skills have gotten better because I've had a lot of practice, first working with my town hall group and then with my proposal group. This coming year, I'm really excited about doing another proposal. This first proposal has been a lot of hard work, but it has had such a positive outcome. I can't wait to do another proposal, and make it even better than the last one. So I would like to improve on my proposal-making skills.

5. Did your experience on last year's SYC change your opinion on any issue or did you learn about an issue? If so, what, how and why?

I have learned about issues I wasn't aware of before just by listening to some of the other groups in the SYC, such as teen homelessness, police and youth relations, and sidewalk safety. I have also become more interested in city politics, because I'm more involved than I was before. Overall I feel a lot better informed about city politics and a lot more confident when I talk to other people about them.

6. What activities do you expect to have for this school year? (Sports, school activities, clubs, running start, family, work, tests, etc.) How will you prioritize the SYC in regards to your other activities?

This past year I have made SYC a priority, and I will do the same next year. Other than occasionally babysitting, I don't plan on any other extracurriculars outside of school, except for SYC of course!

7. How will you make SYC a priority this year?

This past year, SYC has never conflicted with my schedule and I have dedicated a lot of outside time to work with my group members. I plan to bring the the same kind of commitment and time this coming year. SYC has never felt like a chore to me, and I'm excited to bring more to the table this coming year. I will make it a priority because I really enjoy coming.



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8. The SYC is a very competitive program. If chosen, how will you be an active leader during your 2nd year?

Since the schedule for SYC is starting very soon this year, I still have all of my experiences fresh in my mind. I can definitely help all newcomers because I know exactly what it's like to be in their shoes. Also, now that I have gone through SYC once, I feel more confident about tackling issues next year. This year I was a little bit nervous, but now I think having confidence is going to help boost me a lot with being even more active in leadership roles next year.

9. What does leadership mean to you?

Leadership means you are willing to make a stand about something, willing to step away from the crowd, and think for yourself. The dictionary defines it as the position or function of a leader, but I disagree. Just being put in charge of a bunch of people is not leadership. Putting yourself on the line for your beliefs in what is right is leadership.

10. What are some changes in the program that you would like to see in the 2010-11 year? How will you take action on those desired changes?

I would like to see the city council be more involved with SYC year long, instead of just at the very end of the year. It was really cool presenting to them this year, but I would like to see more of them before the policy proposal, just to get feedback from them on our first draft proposals, or to get advice on how to present. Right now I'm talking with Council Member O'Brien, and I think I'm going to bring it up with him, to see if he would be willing to help me synergize the SYC and the Council.

SEATTLE YOUTH COMMISSION

Twenty-five members: All subject to City Council confirmation, 1-year terms

- 13 Appointed by Mayor
- 12 Appointed by City Council

Commission Member	Diversity	Term #	Terms Served	Term Ends	Representing
<i>Vacant</i>					Ballard
<i>Vacant</i>					Delridge
Luke Allen	1	1	-	June 1, 2011	Northwest
Catherine Quinn		1	-	June 1, 2011	Southwest
Sarah Servin		1	-	June 1, 2011	Greater Duwamish
Adam Harrell	1, 2	1	-	June 1, 2011	Southeast
Adam Stansell		1	-	June 1, 2011	Central
Walter Dubensky		1	-	June 1, 2011	East
Tiffany Do	1	1	-	June 1, 2011	Downtown
Anna Colando		1	-	June 1, 2011	Lake Union
Selam Ainalem	2	1	-	June 1, 2011	North
Kelly Hargus		1	-	June 1, 2011	Magnolia/QA
Yongyong Li	1	1	-	June 1, 2011	Northeast
Chetan Chandrashekar	Asian Indian	1	-	June 1, 2011	At Large
Mohamed Adan	2	1	-	June 1, 2011	At Large
Sahra Osman	2	1	-	June 1, 2011	At Large
Lynsie Tang	1	1	-	June 1, 2011	At Large
Alex Jonlin		1	-	June 1, 2011	At Large
Louisa Dunwiddie		1	-	June 1, 2011	At Large
Marie Claire Sbragia		1	-	June 1, 2011	At Large
Kian Vesteinsson	5	1	-	June 1, 2011	At Large
Njeri Mburu	2	1	-	June 1, 2011	At Large
Sofia Smith	2	1	-	June 1, 2011	At Large
Issac Pearson	2	1	-	June 1, 2011	At Large
Silbee Sanchez	3	1	-	June 1, 2011	At Large

Optional Demographic Information

Men	Women	Vacant	Racial/Ethnic Minority	(1) Asian	(2) Black	(3) Hisp	(4) Nat.Amer	(5) Other
9	14	2	5*	6	7	1	0	1

* Three multi-racial Commissioners
June 2010 roster



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MEMORANDUM

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DATE: June 17, 2010
TO: The Honorable Richard Conlin
President, Seattle City Council
FROM: Mayor Michael McGinn *MPM*
SUBJECT: Mayoral Appointments to Seattle Youth Commission

City Council created the Seattle Youth Commission to promote the full participation of Seattle youth in the legislative and civic process and to represent and voice the youth perspective to Seattle's elected officials. The duties of the Commission include:

- Drafting policy proposals on topics of its choosing and presenting these proposals to the Mayor and the City Council;
- Organize forums of Seattle youth to better educate the City about the opinions of youth on civic issues affecting both their specific communities and the city at large and to inform youth about the City's policies, programs, and process for public engagement;
- Organize an annual Youth Town Hall with participation from the Mayor and members of the City Council to discuss issues affecting the city and the perspective of youth on these issues;
- Testifying at City Council meetings and public hearings; and
- Providing an annual report to the relevant Council Committee about the commission's activities.

During the first quarter of 2010, staff of the Seattle Department of Neighborhoods (DON) worked with an inter-departmental City team as well as community stakeholders to recruit Commissioners with a diversity of experience, skills, and interests. DON staff circulated information about the Commission to a range of audiences, including high schools, advocacy organizations that focus on youth involvement; organizations that serve people of color, parent groups, and service-based organizations. DoN staff distributed information about the new Commission and the application process in print, via the internet, and by word-of-mouth.

Thirty-five individuals submitted applications to serve on the Commission. Applications were reviewed by the Department of Neighborhoods, Parks Department and Office of Civil Rights staff as well as past members of the Seattle Youth Commission. Members of the Mayor's Office

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as well as staff from Councilmember Obrien's office conducted interviews for twenty-five spots which are broken down into thirteen neighborhood districts and twelve at-large positions.

The Commission will have twenty-five members: thirteen will be appointed by the Mayor, twelve appointed by the City Council. All appointments are subject to City Council confirmation. Commissioners will serve a one-year term. Attached to this memorandum is the membership roster of the Commission listing all the new appointees.

I am pleased to forward to the City Council eleven outstanding candidates for appointment to the Commission:

Name	Term Ends	Position
Luke Allen	6-1-2011	Northwest
Catherine Quinn	6-1-2011	Southwest
Sarah Servin	6-1-2011	Greater Duwamish
Adam Harrell	6-1-2011	Southeast
Adam Stansell	6-1-2011	Central
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The appointment bios for appointees are as follows:

Luke Allen

Luke is being nominated to represent Seattle's Northwest District and attends Ingraham High School. As president of his school class, Luke has been heavily involved in civic engagement opportunities with the City of Seattle and is particularly passionate about the urban forestry issues that surround his high school. As a youth commissioner, Luke brings natural leadership skills and the ability to work together. He will be a junior next year

Catherine Quinn

Catherine is a returning member to the Seattle Youth Commission. She attends the Center School at Seattle Center and is nominated to represent Seattle's Southwest Neighborhood District. Last year as a junior, Catherine worked on a pilot project that proposed a youth-specific component to the City's One-Ton Challenge. The project outlined more effective strategies to reach youth and motivate them to reduce their carbon footprint.

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Sarah Servin

Sarah is a returning member to the Seattle Youth Commission. She attends the Holy Names Academy and is nominated to represent Seattle's Greater Duwamish Neighborhood District. As a member of the Commission, Sarah worked with the Human Services Department to study effective teen homelessness prevention programs throughout the region. As a South Park resident, Sarah is also interested in the vitality of the South Park neighborhood including the replacement of the South Park Bridge. She is working with the Department of Neighborhoods on the City of Seattle Response Plan.

Adam Harrell

Adam is an incoming junior at the Lakeside School and is nominated to represent Seattle's Southeast Neighborhood District in the Mount Baker community. He is most passionate about education and is particularly concerned with the growing disparity between private and public school systems in Seattle. Adam is also interested in the topics of race and social justice. As a Commissioner he brings a strong work ethic and public speaking ability.

Walter Dubensky

Walter is nominated to represent Seattle's East Neighborhood District. As a junior at the Seattle Academy of Arts and Sciences, Walter is an active participant in the Speech and Debate club and the Youth Legislature. An active member of the youth community, Walter is interested in combating the social pressures that often permeate the Central Districts developing neighborhoods and often impair the ability of youth to succeed.

Tiffany Do

Tiffany is an incoming senior at University Prep and is nominated to represent Seattle's Downtown Neighborhood District. As a member of the 2009-2010 Commission, Tiffany worked with the Human Services Department to draft a proposal that expands preventative measures to combat teen homelessness. She is interested in the power of the youth voice and is driven to participate in civic programs to demonstrate that the youth of our City can have a say in what policy is implemented. Tiffany is an aspiring medical professional and volunteers at the University of Washington Medical Center.

Adam Stansell

Adam is an incoming senior at Garfield High School and is nominated to represent Seattle's Central Neighborhood District. Last year, Adam worked with the Seattle Police Department to develop role reversal workshops between police officers and youth. He is interested in bridging the communication gap that exists between community members and our law enforcement. As a 2nd year member, he hopes to broaden his understanding of the institutional race and social justice issues in Seattle's communities.

Anna Colando

Anna is nominated to represent Seattle's Lake Union Neighborhood District. As a passionate community member, Anna joins the Youth Commission with the desire to represent her community and peers. She is specifically interested in promoting racial justice and in breaking down the racial barriers that are sometimes seen in Seattle's Community. A student at Nathan

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Hale High School, she participates Earth Service Corps, a club that is charged with increasing the school's composting program. In addition, she is an active member of her school's Diversity Club, which strives to promote racial equity and justice among every class race and ethnicity.

Selam Ainalem

Selam is an incoming senior at Cleveland High School and is nominated to represent Seattle's North Neighborhood District. As a 2009-2010 Commissioner, Selam worked with the Office of Sustainability and the Environment to promote a youth component to the City of Seattle's One-Ton Challenge. She is a member of the Running Start program and is interested in connect civically-minded youth to youth programs.

Kelley Hargus

Kelley is a student at Garfield High School and is nominated to represent Seattle's Queen Anne/Magnolia Neighborhood District. Kelley is very interested in how Seattle schools interact with the communities in which they reside. She is eager to bring the youth voice to Seattle's elected officials and hopes to inspire more youth to become involved in the civic process.

Yongyong Li

Yongyong is an incoming junior at Roosevelt High School and is nominated to represent Seattle's Northeast Neighborhood District. Last year, Yongyong worked with Seattle's Department of Parks and Recreation and the Seattle Youth Violence Prevention Initiative to research and present a Young Father's Coalition program to the City Council and to the Mayor. She is interested in engaging Seattle's young people and in encouraging mentorship programs. As a second year member she hopes to further research proactive strategies to engage young fathers and youth violence.

Attachments: Appointments Roster
Notices of Appointment (11)
Candidate Applications (11)
Appointment Letters (11)

cc: Sol Villareal, Commission Liaison, Office of the Mayor
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Esther Handy, Committee Staff
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