

The PAB requests the County Council to add 2 youth member positions to our roster. Those positions should be:

- 1) Youths from 15 to 20 years of age (inclusive)
- 2) One-year appointments, with 2 automatic renewals at the occupant's discretion\*\*
- 3) Voting positions

Further, as administrative matters, PAB recommends that

- 1) The County Council should look first for leadership experience when making an appointment (for the first appointment, to help establish the position).
- 2) The PAB should appoint an adult ally for the youth positions -- someone who can partner with the youths to help bring them up to speed on PAB issues, and answer questions the youths may have.
- 3) The County should make particular marketing/recruiting efforts on running start/home school students that may have more flexible schedules to enable them to match the PAB's current meeting times (Fridays at noon), and that the County solicit the Youth Commission's help in these marketing/recruitment efforts. This should not be to the exclusion of other schools and venues.

\* 2 positions to keep our board an odd number and so that the youths may support each other and feel more comfortable in their roles.

\*\* One-year appointments because it fits with the life-cycle of youths, 2 renewals so that they may match regular adult 3-year terms.

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