



Colchester Youth FIRST

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Youth Services Advisory Board/ Youth FIRST Coalition
January 6, 2015 Meeting Minutes
Location: Youth Center
Time: 5:00pm

Voting members present: Robert Suchecki, Tricia Dean, Lorraine Marvin, Linda Bromley, Kathy Wonderly, Ginnie Streppa

Voting members absent: Gina Ebbeling, Josh Vinoski

Non-voting members present: Christine Miskell, Chris Bennett, Brianna Stonick

Others present: Valerie Geato, Jennifer Martino, Ashlee Denny, Denise Mizla (BOS), Rob Tarlov (BOF), Deborah Ricci

1. Rob Suchecki called meeting to order at 5:15 pm.
2. Kathy Wonderly motioned to approve December minutes, seconded by Linda Bromley.
3. No public comments.
4. Old Business
 - a. Ashlee Denny recaps the Resolution Run 5K- everything went great; we were able to raise \$2300
 - b. Review of member questionnaires and job descriptions
 1. Members feel that our board is effective because of the size and communication between them and the Youth Services staff.
 - c. Next Community Conversation: Shine A Light on Heroin- February 3, 2016 at Bacon Academy Cafeteria from 6:00-7:30pm
5. New Business
 - a. Community Foundation Grant received in the amount of \$2,500.00. This will be used towards the Healthy Relationships curriculum for 7th and 8th graders, which is hosted by Safe Futures.
 - b. 2016 Goals
 1. Rob Suchecki will ask (apply for) the Lions Club "Night of Giving" campaign to benefit Youth Services
 2. Work with the PTO for donations
 3. Christine Miskell suggested looking for sponsors to donate to the van fund in return for an advertisement or name of business on the van.
 4. Summer Kick-off TBD due to WJMS construction
 5. Deb Ricci suggested Zorb balls for kids as a fundraiser portion of Kick-off.
 6. Ginnie Streppa suggested that if there is no Summer Kick-off, maybe we could host another 5K
 7. 2nd Inishmor fundraiser
 8. Rob Suchecki will look into the cop on top fundraiser for Youth Services
6. Next Agenda
 - a. February meeting will be shortened, approximately 5:00-5:30pm in the Bacon faculty room next to the café. Community Conversation to follow.

b. Spring/ Summer 5K

7. Linda Bromley motioned to adjourn meeting at 6:20 pm, seconded by Rob Suchecki.

Submitted: January 8, 2016 by Jennifer Martino