Dartmouth Youth Commission January 13, 2015, 6:30 PM Executive Session Minutes Room 118 Town Hall

Present by roll call vote: Jamie Jacquart, Gale Shultz, Debbie Brejcha, Rozzy Glaser-Bernstein

Time: 7:10 PM

Stated Purpose: To inform Youth Commission members of Kevin Lee's upcoming retirement within the calendar year and to discuss likely timelines for informing clients and parents in the months ahead.

Youth Advocate's Report in Executive Session:

- A tentative date of retirement is **September 24, 2015**.
- This timeline allows time for the Youth Commission and the Personnel Administrator to post and advertise the position prior to the new school year beginning in September of 2015.
- This timeline provides time for Kevin and Youth Commission members to help the new Youth Advocate adjust to the position and to meet colleagues and ongoing clients, etc.
- This timeline allows for the Youth Commission to begin a new Fiscal Year on July 1, 2015, so that appropriated funds would be available to cover the overlap of personnel for 2-4 weeks, ideally. (Such an overlap would be subject to Select Board and Finance Committee approval.)
- I recommend that the Executive Session Minutes of today's meeting not be approved and released to the public until **May 1, 2015**, so that I can have time to notify all parents in writing by **April 27, 2015**.
- I request that Youth Commission members keep this information <u>confidential</u> so that I can plan for the most appropriate time to inform individual clients and support Group members. This would likely begin on **Monday**, **May 4**, **2015**.

Youth Commission Discussion:

- Commissioners expressed both understanding and sadness to hear that Kevin planned to retire in the fall of 2015
- Discussion was held on the next steps that the Youth Commission needed to do with timelines for job posting, etc.
- Commission members approved the timelines that Kevin suggested for informing clients and parents.

A roll call vote to adjourn Executive Session must be held: Jamie Jacquart, Gale Shultz, Debbie Brejcha, Rozzy Glaser-Bernstein

Time: 8:35 PM