

YOUTH COMMISSION MINUTES

February 15, 2007

ATTENDING: Members: Mary Maher, Rebecca Haberman, Carol Pettine and Denise Keller. Staff: June David-Fors.

Motion to open the meeting made by Carol Pettine, 2nd by Mary Maher

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to approve the minutes made by Carol Pettine, 2nd by Denise Keller

NEXT MEETING

Next Meeting scheduled for March 15 at 6:30 Pm – Youth Commission will meet prior to FYS presentation to Appropriations Committee.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- ☼ June attended the Children's Trauma Center's 3-day training, "School and Community Based Post-Traumatic Stress Management." June found the training helpful. Lisa will attend the next session.
- ☼ Things are going well. June met with the Northborough Principals at their monthly meeting with the Superintendent. June and Lisa are also holding individual meetings within the schools. Met with Deb Watts at ARHS and discussed working together to run a group for 4-5 students in need of substance abuse recovery support.
- ☼ Lisa has 16 cases. Four are new intakes. Two cases terminated last week.
- ☼ June has 13 cases. She has closed two with several in process of being scheduled.
- ☼ June is in process of developing a system to keep track of FYS activities such as consultation, phone calls that come in and resource and referrals that FYS is giving out.

APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

- ☼ Discussed presentation to Appropriations Committee. Present data – give a vision of where FYS is now – the strengths and weaknesses of the department – outside funding sources – experience with grant writing
- ☼ Identify categories of people seen by Family & Youth Services – uninsured, underinsured and other cases with special circumstances.
- ☼ June has contacted other communities and their F&YS departments do not charge fees. It is the recommendation at this time not to bill clients for services - will further explore other income sources.

FUNDRAISING LETTER

- ⊗ Discussion of letter going to businesses and local organizations in town. Discussed how much fundraising as a Board we want to be involved with. Agreed upon 1-2 fundraising events per year. Will identify one fundraiser for this fiscal year.
- ⊗ In addition to receiving donations we want to let Northborough know that Family & Youth Services is up and running.
- ⊗ June mentioned the Metro West Health Care Foundation. It is a potential grant to apply for in conjunction with schools, police, fire, etc.

OTHER

Family & Youth Services, INC submitted a proposal totaling \$15,000 with the recommendation that @ \$11,000 go toward the office manager position and office space, @ \$3,000 to go toward gas, vans etc. June will meet with Barry and schedule a follow up meeting with NFYS, INC Staff and Board.

Motion to adjourn at 8:25 pm made by Denise Keller, 2nd by Mary Maher