

## **YOUTH COMMISSION MINUTES**

### **November 16, 2006**

**ATTENDING:** Members: Joan Clementi, Mary Maher, Rebecca Haberman, and Carol Pettine. Staff: June David-Fors

Motion to open the meeting made by Joan Clementi, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mary Maher

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion to approve the minutes made by Joan Clementi, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Carol Pettine

### **NEXT MEETING**

Next Meeting scheduled for Thursday, January 18, 2007 at 7:00 PM

### **INTRODUCTION OF NEW DIRECTOR**

June David-Fors was introduced to the Board. She is off to a good start. The people are very welcoming. She is planning to visit the schools with Lisa Storey.

### **UPDATE ON PROGRAMS & COUNSELING CASES – number of new intakes, referrals**

- ⊗ 8 referrals plus 3 new
- ⊗ Caseload of 16. 2 are new – Lisa plus 1 at ARHS
- ⊗ Community members donate coats, toys, etc. for Holiday Program
- ⊗ Looking for assessment from general community to reach out to as many people as possible to get a sense of what the needs of the community are. Will start with a small group, schools, senior center, food pantry, police chief, etc.
- ⊗ Support groups, i.e., dealing with depression
- ⊗ Discussed tracking incoming phone calls and updating web site.

### **CABLE TV NEEDS AND INTERESTS**

A letter was received from Kathy Dalgliesh looking for comments and recommendations regarding FYS cable needs:

- ⊗ More providers available.

- ⊗ No cable/no community access channels – free access for the community notices.
- ⊗ Continued coverage of selectman, appropriations, and school committee meetings.
- ⊗ Providing continued services for informing the community of our services.

### **OTHER**

- ⊗ Director and part-time Clinician and Administrative Assistant in the budget for next year.
- ⊗ Current Administrative Assistant to spend a couple of months in FYS to get June up to speed rather than hiring someone right away. Do not want to lose money set aside for Administrative Assistant.
- ⊗ Discussion of bringing in money to the department. Sliding scale fee? How would this work? Should go another route. Mailing to the community and businesses for fundraising?

**Motion to adjourn at 8:30 pm made by Joan Clementi, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mary Maher**