

Minutes of the Youth Advisory Committee Meeting

February 18, 2011

Members Present: Dr. Marlene Dodyk, Rabbi Greg Litcofsky, Mr. Joe Karbowski,
Also Present: Dr. Lynn Dowd, Mr. Jim Forti, Dr. Dossie Kahn, Mr. Ryan Our

Minutes of 01/14/11 meeting reviewed and approved with addition of title to names of members as cited in Members present section of minutes

Staff Updates

- Referrals continue at steady but manageable rate
- Diversion program referrals have continued from WHS, no new police referrals, Mr. Forti reported that police/court referral procedure is under review, advised to seek new information as available from the WPD
- No new Parent Coffees have been scheduled
- Parents of WHS Seniors group resumed meeting after winter break
- Parents of WMS Eighth grade will be offered again this spring including information on risk behavior among young teens
- Race to Nowhere will be shown to the community on 3/3/11, with priority registration for parents of 8th graders.
- Community Service Awards night (April 28) proposed increase from 40 hours to 50 hours work by honorees discussed
- Wayland Cares Programming, parent survey data now available, WHS mental health night (March 24) topic focus Marijuana, WYFS will supply information hand-outs for parents

Discussion

- Board members will review previously submitted budgets and WYFS service statistics for discussion in next meeting
- YAC Chair Rabbi Litcofsky will collaborate with member Dr. Dodyk to provide annual evaluation of WYFS Director Dr. Dowd
- Rabbi Litcofsky continues collaborative work with interdenominational coalition to identify common social concerns across area communities – there is a strong commitment to needs of youth and families, Dr. Dodyk has participated in this work facilitating connections with area school departments
- Mr. Forti described developments in MADD programming as the promote “Power of Parents” similar model to our Parent Coffees

Next Meeting dates: 03/18/11 10:00am, 04/08/11 8:45am, 05/20/11 10:00am, 06/17/11 8:45am

Respectfully submitted, Dossie F. Kahn, Psy.D.