

YOUTH COMMISSION MEETING

December 14, 2009

Minutes

PRESENT: Kristin French, Michelle Grasso, Andy Rosenshine, Nancy Tame, Rachel Bridge, Allison Shea

WYFS: John Badenhause, Director
Betheda Shuman, Counselor
Doreen Rebh, Administrative Assistant

7:40 PM Michelle called the meeting to order and the October minutes were reviewed. Andy motioned to accept the minutes, Kristin seconded and the motion was approved.

7:45 PM **REPORT FROM YOUTH MEMBERS**
The Youth Members reported that Westborough High School has been low on school spirit and that the Holiday Ball was cancelled due to lack of interest. Allison suggested that the low interest might be due to the presence of the breathalyzer at school dances.

Rachel reported that Liz Callahan was recently elected to the School Committee as a Representative for the junior class.

7:50 PM **FY11 BUDGET**
The Board reviewed the FY2011 Salaries and Wages Request sheet and the Departmental Budget Proposal which were included in the packets. John reported that this year Department Heads were instructed to create budgets with a cost of living increase of 0%. He explained that Eileen and Doreen are budgeted to receive step increases on their anniversary dates but that he and Betheda have both reached their step max and as a result their salaries will remain the same.

John also reported that he did not include the Youth Activities position in the budget and that he hopes to find a grant that will fund Hot Summer Nights for 2011. When Nancy wondered if the program could run with volunteers, John stated that it could but that it might be a large responsibility for a volunteer to take on.

John reported that the Expense Budget was exactly the same as the one submitted last year. He explained that Training and Education had been eliminated last year and that the \$4,500 left in Special Programs includes approximately \$3,000 for Hot Summer Nights. There was discussion on whether to take that \$3,000 out of the budget or to keep it in as a back-up in case a volunteer was found to run the program. All agreed to keep the \$3,000 in the budget. Andy stated that if money was to be moved around

in the budget he'd like to advocate putting it back in Training and Education.

8:15 PM

ALTERNATIVE FUNDING SOURCES

The group reviewed the page detailing the sliding fee scale which John created based on the Federal Poverty Guidelines. John estimated that if the scale were to be used, income generated for the office would be about \$6,000 a year. Andy made a motion to accept the budget with this change in accounts receivable, Nancy seconded and all were in favor.

8:25 PM

MEETING ADJOURNED

NEXT MEETING – 7:30 PM, Monday, January 11, 2009