

**YOUTH COMMISSION MEETING**  
Westborough Youth and Family Services Office  
Room 21, Forbes Municipal Building  
45 West Main Street, Westborough, MA  
**May 9, 2011**  
**7:34 PM to 8:35 PM**

**PRESENT:** Kristin French, Michelle Grasso, Andy Rosenshine, Judith Tully, Ritika Lahoty, Cameron Mattheson, Oscar Najarian, Rachel Bridge

**ABSENT:** Kasey Packer, Ali Strand

**WYFS:** John Badenhause, Director  
Cathy Cairns, Administrative Assistant

**7:34 PM: MEETING OPENED/ MINUTES REVIEWED**

Michelle called the meeting to order and the April minutes were reviewed. Andy made a motion to accept the minutes, Judith seconded, and the minutes were accepted unanimously.

**7:36 PM: REPORT FROM YOUTH MEMBERS**

The Youth Members reported that things are very busy at the high School: AP exams, Junior and Senior Proms, and the Senior Cruise in Boston Harbor (not school sponsored.) Competition Day was a success and it fostered lots of school spirit – the seniors won.

**7:45 PM: REPORT ON SPRING FESTIVAL**

Michelle thanked the group for their help with the WYFS booth at the Rotary's Spring Festival. It was noted that many booths packed up early. There were other events happening in town (Girl Scouts overnight) and the weather was chilly, so that could have kept the crowds away.

The Babysitter's posters on WYFS A-frame were a draw. Everyone agreed it was worth it to be part of a town event, and we should definitely consider being part of Arts in Common in October, as there were lots of visitors to that event last year.

**7:56 TOWN MEETING**

Town Meeting is this Saturday, May 14<sup>th</sup>. John and Judith will attend. John reported that there was an error in the Finance Committee's report that was recently distributed. The report stated that our revolving fund funded HSN, whereas it is only a bank account.

**8:00 CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GRADUATING SENIORS**

The group congratulated Rachel (and Kasey who was absent) on their upcoming graduation, thanked them for their participation as Youth Members, presented graduation gifts, and enjoyed a delicious cake.

**8:25 OTHER BUSINESS**

Christine Anthony, who was scheduled to be interviewed at the meeting for the open Youth Commission position, was delayed due to a family commitment and rescheduled for the June 13<sup>th</sup> meeting.

John informed the group that the WYFS office will remain in the Forbes Building, and not be moved to another building with the Recreation Department. This turn of events was most likely due to the concerns expressed by John and the Youth Commission members.

There was some mention about the Baptist Church, adjacent to the Town Hall, being considered as a site for a Youth Center.

The Central Community Grange is sponsoring a chicken dinner benefit for HSN on May 21<sup>st</sup>.

**8:30 PM: MEETING ADJOURNED**

**NEXT MEETING – Monday, June 13, 7:30 PM**