

YOUTH COMMISSION MEETING
 Westborough Youth and Family Services Office
 Room 21, Forbes Municipal Building
 45 West Main Street, Westborough, MA
December 8, 2014
7:45 PM to 8:36 PM

YOUTH COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT:

Patricia Ainsleigh, Tim Barton, Arpita Joyce, Daniel Moon, Jorge Nario, Lauren Schiffman,
 Gerard Sockol, Judith Tully, Meredith Wolpert

YOUTH COMMISSION VOLUNTEERS PRESENT:

Katherine Burbank, Oscar Najarian

ABSENT: Robert Stout, Corbin Whitaker

GUEST: Jenni Lencioni

WYFS: John Badenhause, Director
 Cathy Cairns, Admin. Asst.
 Stephanie Camille – WYFS Clinical Intern
 Eileen Reich, Counselor

7:00 PM HOLIDAY CELEBRATION

7:45 PM: MEETING OPENED

Judith called the meeting to order. The November 2014 minutes were reviewed. Meredith made a motion to accept the minutes, Jorge seconded, and the minutes were accepted unanimously.

7:47 PM YOUTH REPORT

The seniors are hearing back from colleges.
 Eric Dittelman will perform at the High School next Friday.
 There is a musical concert coming up.
 The spring musical will be Pippin.
 The Laramie Project was a success.
 Rec Ball starts this week.

What's Up Tonight group met with Taylor a few times. They are having trouble finding a location for events. The High School Administration doesn't like to rent out to non-school organizations. It was suggested they establish relationships with places like the YMCA in order to be able to use their space.

120 students participated in the Day of Thanksgiving where they helped residents of the community. They raked leaves, helped at the Willows and helped teachers at Gibbons Middle School.

8:00 PM ELECTIONS OF YC OFFICERS

The YC Chair runs the YC meeting and coordinates John's review. The Vice Chair steps in if the Chair is unavailable. The Treasurer signs time sheets if John is unavailable.

Patricia made a motion to nominate Judith Tully for the position of Chair of YC. Meredith seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Judith made a motion to nominate Lauren Schiffman for the position of Vice Chair of YC. Meredith seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Judith made a motion to nominate Tim Barton for the position of Treasurer of YC.

Meredith seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

A copy of these minutes (once approved at January meeting) will be sent to Paula Covino in the Selectmen's Office.

8:10 PM: LETTER TO CHARTER REVIEW COMMITTEE

Corrections to letter: HIPAA is misspelled and they are regulations, not laws.

Judith said the object of the letter was to tell the Charter Review Committee how we do our job, not to tell the committee how to do their job.

John emailed the minutes from the Charter Review Committee meeting to the YC.

Judith will revise the letter, then it will be sent to the Charter Review Committee, the Town Manager and the Board of Selectmen. The letter will include all YC member names.

Jorge made a motion to send the revised letter to the Charter Review Committee, Town Manager and BofS. Tim seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

8:30 PM: OTHER BUSINESS

Daniel has spoken at the High School about registering to vote and he wondered if the YC would like to be involved. Judith suggested that Daniel write up a proposal about doing a non-partisan presentation for 18-year old high school students about registering to vote in the March Town election. The YC can review the proposal and then present it to the school administration.

It was also suggested that Daniel reach out to the Town Clerk about how to get students to register.

We will also put voter registration on the agenda for the next YC meeting.

8:36 PM: MEETING ADJOURNED

NEXT MEETING – January 12 at 7:30 PM.