

YOUTH COMMISSION MEETING
 Westborough Youth and Family Services Office
 Room 21, Forbes Municipal Building
 45 West Main Street, Westborough, MA
May 12, 2014
7:40 PM to 8:24 PM

YOUTH COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT:

Patricia Ainsleigh, Andy Rosenshine, Pranit Lahoty, Corbin Whitaker, Judith Tully

YOUTH COMMISSION VOLUNTEERS PRESENT:

Oscar Najarian

ABSENT: Lauren Schiffman, Jack Chuma, Christine Anthony, Meredith Wolpert, Gerad Sokol, Robert Stout

GUESTS: Jorge Nario, Daniel Moon.

WYFS: John Badenhause, Director
 Cathy Cairns, Admin. Asst.

7:40 PM: John reported that the Spring Festival went okay. There did not seem to be as many people in attendance as last year. The YFS booth was next to the high school robotics team booth and the crowds surrounding that booth sometimes blocked entrance to the YFS booth

7:47 PM: MEETING OPENED

Quorum achieved. Andy called the meeting to order. The March 2014 minutes were reviewed. Pranit made a motion to accept the minutes, Corbin seconded, and the minutes were accepted unanimously.

7:50 PM: YOUTH REPORT

The "Senior Slide" is in full swing for the seniors. AP exams have been held the last few weeks. The baseball season has seven games left. There will be the Mr. WHS Contest for the seniors. The event has a comic theme. Candidates collect money for the Food Pantry. The Junior Prom is Friday night and the Senior Ball is May 31 at the Top of the Prudential.

7:56 PM: INTERVIEW YC YOUTH CANDIDATES

Andy started introductions of current YC members, their backgrounds and what the YC does.

The candidates introduced themselves:

Jorge Nario is a member of the Peer Mediation program, the football team and the Westborough App Club.

Daniel Moon has volunteered for political campaigns, plays lacrosse and is in the orchestra.

John explained how the youth member candidates are interviewed and appointed by the Board of Selectmen.

Corbin explained the “What’s Up Tonight?” program. This program will provide substance free activities for high school students and will run from October through April. The program will be organized and run by the students with oversight by an adult coordinator.

John will forward the letters of intent from all three YC candidates (Arpita Joyce, Daniel Moon, and Jorge Nario) to the Board of Selectmen.

8:20 PM: OTHER BUSINESS

Andy announced that he will be resigning from the YC once his term is up but he is willing to participate until a replacement is found.

8:24 PM: MEETING ADJOURNED

NEXT MEETING – Monday, June 9, 2014 at 7:30 PM. Due to construction work on the Forbes Building elevator, we will meet on the 3rd floor of the library (where there is elevator access.)