

YOUTH COMMISSION MEETING

Third Floor Conference Room
Forbes Municipal Building
45 West Main Street, Westborough, MA

October 5, 2015

7:30 PM to 8:30 PM

YOUTH COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT:

Tim Barton, Jennifer Lencioni, Lauren Schiffman, Judith Tully, Arpita Joyce, Jorge Nario, Daniel Moon, Evan Frye, Campbell Brown, Luara El-Dine, Paris Ghazi

YOUTH COMMISSION VOLUNTEERS PRESENT: Oscar Najarian

ABSENT: Patricia Ainsleigh, Natalie Baillargeon

WYFS: John Badenhause, Director

7:32 PM: MEETING OPENED

Judith called the meeting to order. She welcomed the new Youth Members. The June 2015 minutes were reviewed. Judith made a motion to accept the minutes, Lauren seconded, and the minutes were accepted unanimously.

7:35 PM: YOUTH REPORT

The youth reported the Homecoming Dance will be October 16, sponsored by the Student Council. NHS held a car wash on 10/4/15. In honor of Mental Health Awareness Week, there will be an assembly held on 10/6/15. Center Stage is holding a haunted house for younger kids on October 16. The school is experimenting with a "bring your own technology" program. November 1 is the date for early action on college applications. WHS is hosting the Central District Massachusetts Association of Student Councils.

7:42 PM: POLICY REVIEW

John reviewed the new policies that was sent out by the Selectmen about operating hours. He stated he went before the Selectmen on September 21 to discuss hours of the department, and they approved the hours of 9 am to 7 pm Monday through Thursday and 9 am to noon on Friday. They also approved flexible hours for the Director, as long as he works 40 hours a week.

John also reviewed the new policy from the town manager on the ways department heads and boards and committees can access legal advice through town counsel. This change has come about because the Town now contracts legal services.

7:55 PM: 2015 SERVICE LEVEL STUDY COMMITTEE UPDATE

John and Judith described the process of the establishment of the Service Level Study Committee, and the progress it has made so far. The next meeting of the SLSC will be on

10/7/15 at 7 pm at the Library. Several members said they were interested in attending this meeting.

8:10 PM: OTHER BUSINESS

Judith reminded the Commission that there is an LGBTQ group is forming in town. She shared she has many resources for this population. John said he could add that information to the resources section of the YFS web site.

John presented the list of meeting dates for the year. He informed everyone that Fall Special Town Meeting is on 10/19/15 at 7 pm at WHS.

8:33 PM: MEETING ADJOURNED

NEXT MEETING – November 9 at 7:30 PM.

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