

## **YOUTH COMMISSION MEETING**

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

**November 9, 2015**

**7:30 PM to 8:30 PM**

### **YOUTH COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Tim Barton, Jennifer Lencioni, Lauren Schiffman, Arpita Joyce, Jorge Nario, Evan Frye, Campbell Brown, Luara El-Dine, Paris Ghazi, Wonjae Jang, Mridhu Khanna, Natalie Baillargeon

### **YOUTH COMMISSION VOLUNTEERS PRESENT: none**

**ABSENT:** Patricia Ainsleigh, Judith Tully, Oscar Najarian, Dan Moon

**WYFS:** John Badenhause, Director

### **7:34 PM: MEETING OPENED**

Lauran called the meeting to order. No minutes were available to review. John announced we would have an Administrative Assistant for the next meeting as Julia O'Neil-Welch has accepted the position, starting November 16.

### **7:35 PM: YOUTH REPORT**

The play Museum was successful. Playoffs for sports have started, and there is a volleyball game this evening. Student Council had their fall regional conference at WHS and held a bocce tournament for Best Buddies. They also had a Best Buddies Halloween Dance. Applications to colleges for early decision were due November 1. There is a push to change the colors of caps and gowns for graduation so they are not color coded for gender.

### **7:39 PM: FY 2017 BUDGET REVIEW**

John reviewed the FY 2017 budget after explaining the budget process the town goes through each year. He discussed each budget item. He also presented the justification for increasing the hours for the Youth Activities Coordinator position from 400 to 500 to allow more hours for the What's Up Tonight Coordinator.

Tim motioned to accept the budget as presented. Jorge seconded. It was approved unanimously.

### **7:55 PM: 2015 SERVICE LEVEL STUDY COMMITTEE UPDATE**

John reviewed the SLSC meetings. They met three times in October, and will meet next on November 16 to wrap up the review of the YFS department. Then they will vote on their conclusions and recommendations and draft a presentation for the Selectmen. They hope to present this in December or January. If there are any changes made to the department they

would be presented at Town Meeting on March 12. Everyone was encouraged to be present at this meeting, as well as at the Selectmen's Meeting the night of the SLSC presentation.

**8:14 PM: OTHER BUSINESS**

John discussed the Westborough Reads Together community reading program. He presented the book *Alice Bliss* by Laura Harrington, and gave copies to those who wanted them.

John handed out street lists for those who wanted them.

**8:24 PM: MEETING ADJOURNED**

**NEXT MEETING – December 14 at 7:00 PM to allow time for socializing before conducting business**