

**TOWN OF GRANBY
YOUTH SERVICE BUREAU ADVISORY BOARD
AND
DESIGNATED LOCAL PREVENTION COUNCIL
SENIOR CENTER/YOUTH SERVICES BUILDING
Minutes
March 9, 2016**

PRESENT: Tina Barrow, AnneMarie Cox, Mark McDermott, Daphne Shinder, Michele Psutka, Bill Tyler, Kat Volikas

GUEST: Kennedy Baggot, Youth Action Council

Daphne Shinder confirmed a quorum and began the meeting at 4:02 p.m.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF LAST MEETING'S MINUTES

Approval of the minutes of February 10, 2016 tabled until the next meeting as no voting members in attendance were present at the February meeting.

It should be noted that Michele Psutka arrived at 4:10 p.m.

YOUTH COUNSELOR REPORT:

- Ms. Cox gave a brief history and purpose of the Board. She also stated she is the only full-time staff person in Youth Services. She works from 1:00 to 8:30 p.m. on Monday and Friday, a flex day on Tuesday and full days on Wednesday and Thursday.
- The round table series ends this Monday with a discussion on sexual assault on college campuses.
- The suicide prevention workshops held at Valley Brook Community Church were well attended.
- The GO winter session for girls and boys is wrapping up and another session will be held in the spring.
- Counseling is very close to capacity but not yet to the point of having a waiting list.
- A new intern will begin in September.
- There is interest in a forum regarding the adolescent brain with a focus on what makes an adolescent brain different from an adult brain, parenting in regard to this, etc.

YOUTH ACTION COUNCIL REPORT:

Kennedy Baggot gave the following report:

- The group is planning the next 6th grade dance to be held this spring. A YAC committee will meet with Dr. Henneberry to get information about details regarding the 6th grade

dance for next year. Depending on the logistics, YAC may need to look at a different event to raise funds for the scholarship.

- The group is looking into the possibility of conducting a sexual assault forum for other kids.

OLD BUSINESS

- Mark McDermott is talking with the Board of Selectmen to come up with a time when the YSB can present to them. It will probably be April or May. The Youth Action Council will participate.

NEW BUSINESS

- Ms. Cox stated they are considering an intergenerational program in which senior center members would become community mentors. A lot of training is involved in this, including background checks, etc.
- An 'introduction to makeup' class for middle school girls was held over the school break. There will be another one held in May which will be intergenerational.

ADJOURNMENT

ON A MOTION BY Daphne Shinder, seconded by Mark McDermott, the bureau voted (5-0-0) to adjourn at 4:37 p.m.

The next scheduled meeting will be held on April 13, 2016 at 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Kane
Recording Secretary