

**TOWN OF GRANBY
YOUTH SERVICE BUREAU
SENIOR CENTER/YOUTH SERVICES BUILDING
Minutes
May 8, 2013**

PRESENT: Donna Snyder, Chairman; Jack Cashman, AnneMarie Cox, Kerry Kielbasa, Laura Matheos, Mark McDermott, Michele Psutka, Daphne Shinder, Captain Tyler

Chairman Donna Snyder confirmed a quorum and began the meeting at 4:10 p.m.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF LAST MEETING'S MINUTES

ON A MOTION BY Michele Psutka, seconded by AnneMarie Cox, the Board voted (8-0-0) to accept the minutes of April 10, 2013 as written.

GRANBY PREVENTION COUNCIL UPDATE:

- The silent auction held at Holcomb Farm on April 27th raised \$3,300.
- The Search Institute survey results came in last week. Upon a quick review, it appears not a lot has changed since the last survey. A full report will be given to the Board once it is available.

YOUTH COUNSELOR REPORT:

- Counseling continues to be very busy and there is a short waiting list.
- Ms. Cox is currently planning for next year's programming.
- The first QPR (Question Prepare Refer) suicide prevention training will be held on June 8th at 11 a.m. It is a free one-hour training and is available to anyone. The Connect grant was approved and some of the money can be used for advertising for the QPR training.
- There will be a presentation in the fall on the dangers of concussions for student athletes. The second part of the presentation will be on the effects of marijuana and alcohol on the adolescent brain.
- A 10 week program geared to middle school kids, Play by the Rules, is also being planned. It is on CT laws as they pertain to youth. Ms. Cox will coordinate with teachers at the middle school.

YOUTH ACTION COUNCIL:

- The nomination forms for scholarships were distributed to teachers in April. YAC will meet this month to decide who will get the scholarships.
- The end of the year dinner is coming up.

OLD BUSINESS

- None

NEW BUSINESS

- Donna Snyder distributed the board mission, list of current members, state guidelines and the advisory board composition report for members to review. Over the past year there have been several questions regarding the purpose of the board and it seems it has become a forum to report on programming. There was a brief discussion regarding ways for the board to not only become more involved but to also become a true advisory board to youth services. It was suggested to form a sub-committee to look at the mission and come to next month's meeting with recommendations to be voted on. **ON A MOTION BY** Anne Marie Cox, seconded by Jack Cashman, the board voted (8-0-0) to form a sub-committee to review the membership by-laws and meeting requirements and make recommendations for a more efficient board. The following individuals agreed to sit on the sub-committee: AnneMarie Cox, Kerry Kielbasa, Michele Psutka, Daphne Shinder and Jack Cashman. Also, individuals whose membership expires in October are asked to let the board know at next month's meeting whether or not they will be continuing on the board.
- Jack Cashman stated he would like to hold a fundraiser for a prescription drug box. Captain Tyler explained that a permanent box is very costly and any fundraising efforts would be better directed at the annual DEA drug collection day, which is held every April.

ADJOURNMENT

ON A MOTION BY Laura Matheos, seconded by Daphne Shinder, the bureau voted (8-0-0) to adjourn at 4:50 p.m.

The next scheduled meeting will be held on June 12, 2013 at 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Kane
Recording Secretary