

**TOWN OF GRANBY
YOUTH SERVICE BUREAU
Minutes
April 11, 2012**

PRESENT: Donna Snyder, Chairman; Jack Cashman, AnneMarie Cox, KerryAnn Kielbasa, Mark McDermott, Michele Psutka, Chief Rosensweig, Shirley Ryan, Tom Tyburski, Captain Tyler

Chairman Donna Snyder confirmed a quorum and began the meeting at 4:00 p.m.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF LAST MEETING'S MINUTES

ON A MOTION BY AnneMarie Cox, seconded by Shirley Ryan, the Board voted (7-0-1) to accept the minutes of March 14, 2012 as written. It should be noted that Jack Cashman arrived after the approval of the minutes and Captain Tyler abstained as he was not present at the last meeting.

GRANBY PREVENTION COUNCIL UPDATE:

- On March 26th, Dr. Yifrah Kaminir from UConn gave a presentation on adolescent treatment of marijuana. There was positive feedback from the parents who were in attendance.

YOUTH COUNSELOR REPORT:

- A staff meeting was held this week to discuss planning for next year. There will be more groups and more parent education. Other discussions included strengthening collaboration with GECC, staff allocation at East Granby, expanding some groups to East Granby, etc.
- The website will be expanded to include all groups and all staff.
- There was a slight wait list for counseling but everyone was assigned a counselor this week.
- The internet safety program will be held on October 4th. All YSB members should plan to attend.
- The Kids Play U Stay program will move to Holcomb Farm.

YOUTH ACTION COUNCIL:

- There is a YAC meeting tonight. Some of the members spoke to Kim Calcasola regarding conducting the community survey to students during advisory. They will give an update tonight.
- A group of Girl Scouts are coming to the meeting to discuss an anti-bullying campaign they're working on.
- The next 6th grade dance will be held on May 5th and the theme will be Cinco de Mayo.

OLD BUSINESS

- Tom Tyburski reported that the Easter egg hunt at the park last weekend was very successful and there was a lot of positive feedback. There were over 500 people in attendance. Due to the large numbers, there were some issues, i.e. long wait for face painting, needed to go out for more food, etc. As a result, will have a better idea when planning for next year and YSB members may be asked to help at the event.
- To date, 51 community surveys have been completed. Michele Psutka will distribute surveys to Nutmeg Dance and Patchwork Pre-School. Jack Cashman will have copies at his salon. Copies will be given to the grandparents group and will also be available at the grandparent/grandchild breakfast. All completed paper copies should be given to Tom Tyburski. Once the information is analyzed, an article will be submitted to The Drummer.
- The intergenerational "Rise and Shine" breakfast will be held April 18th at 9:00 a.m. in the community room. Mark McDermott and Donna Snyder volunteered to help.

NEW BUSINESS

- Ms. Kielbasa stated she met with Alan Addley regarding the Search Institute Survey. The survey will be conducted again in the fall. After the school vacation, Ms. Kielbasa will meet with Diane Dugas to talk about a timeframe.
- Ms. Cox inquired how to move forward with the school system regarding JRB (Juvenile Review Board) and FWSN (Family with Service Needs) referrals. The town is the authority regarding JRB referrals and a juvenile can now be referred more than once. FWSN (i.e. truancy) referrals probably aren't a big issue in Granby but the superintendent would probably be a good resource regarding any issues.

ADJOURNMENT

ON A MOTION BY AnneMarie Cox, seconded by Mark McDermott, the bureau voted (7-0-0) to adjourn at 4:50 p.m. It should be noted that Tom Tyburski excused himself from the meeting early.

The next scheduled meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 9, 2012 at 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Kane
Recording Secretary