

**TOWN OF GRANBY  
YOUTH SERVICE BUREAU  
SENIOR CENTER/YOUTH SERVICES BUILDING  
Minutes  
October 10, 2012**

**PRESENT:** Donna Snyder, Chairman; Peter Brodeur (YAC), AnneMarie Cox, Laura Matheos, Michele Psutka, Chief Rosensweig, Daphne Schinder, Jessie Sweeney (YAC), Captain Tyler

AnneMarie Cox confirmed a quorum and began the meeting at 4:00 p.m.

**REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF LAST MEETING'S MINUTES**

**ON A MOTION BY** Michele Psutka, seconded by AnneMarie Cox, the Board voted (3-0-0) to accept the minutes of September 12, 2012 as written. It should be noted that Donna Snyder and Laura Matheos arrived after approval of the minutes and Daphne Schinder did not attend the last meeting.

**GRANBY PREVENTION COUNCIL UPDATE:**

- The GPC held a team building retreat and there were some new members in attendance. The next meeting will be held on November 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.

**YOUTH COUNSELOR REPORT:**

- The presentation on internet safety was very well received. There were 40 parents in attendance, plus some administrators.
- WOW is full with 34 girls attending.
- GO starts this Friday and it is also full, with 12 boys attending.
- AnneMarie Cox will run two groups at the middle school. A social skills group for boys and a healthy relationships group for girls.
- There are some educational programs for parents that are being considered. One is for parents of juniors and seniors who will soon be leaving home. Some of the topics are alcohol abuse/binge drinking, suicide prevention, etc. The second is a collaboration with the police department which would focus on Connecticut's hosting laws (parent's who allow parties at their home and provide alcohol to minors).
- Ms. Cox and Ms. Kielbasa met this week to discuss goals for the year. Some of the things that were discussed included social marketing, improving communication with parents and shifting the clinical piece to Amanda Buswell which would allow Ms. Cox to deal more with educational and in-school programs.

## **YOUTH ACTION COUNCIL:**

- Peter Brodeur and Jessie Sweeney reported on the YAC retreat which was held at Camp Jewell. There are approximately 16 members of YAC. The retreat helped them to get to know one another better and reinforce leadership skills. They both felt it was a very positive experience. The next meeting is October 17<sup>th</sup> and they will be planning the 6<sup>th</sup> grade dance which will be held on November 2<sup>nd</sup>.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

- Donna Snyder gave a brief update on the sub-committee which is exploring the possibility of a bus for kids who have transportation issues for after school activities. Some of the things they are looking at are the cost and the history surrounding this issue. Ms. Snyder is meeting with the middle school principal this week and will then talk to Dr. Law. Daphne Schinder volunteered to join the sub-committee. If anyone else is interested, please contact Donna Snyder.
- At the last meeting, Jack Cashman had stated that a pharmaceutical representative from Granby Pharmacy was willing to provide a free presentation on the abuse of over the counter medications. AnneMarie Cox will follow-up with Mr. Cashman.
- Ms. Snyder and Ms. Kielbasa met to review the YSB charter. The charter presently states the board shall consist of 15 members, 10 adults and 5 youth. Based on what's been occurring over the past few years, the suggestion was made to change the membership requirements. **ON A MOTION BY** AnneMarie Cox, seconded by Laura Matheos, the Board voted (6-0-0) to change the charter to consist of 13 members, 10 adults and 3 youth.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- None

## **ADJOURNMENT**

**ON A MOTION BY** Laura Matheos, seconded by AnneMarie Cox, the bureau voted (6-0-0) to adjourn at 4:50 p.m.

The next scheduled meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 14, 2012 at 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Kane  
Recording Secretary