Needham Youth Services

Youth Commission Meeting Notes

2/8/2017

Materials Distributed (both prior to and at the meeting): Agenda; Minutes of 1/11/2017; February Department Report; Annual Report --- FY 2016; "A Conversation..." Evaluation Compilation; Babysitter Training Flyer; RAY of Hope Press Release; Hometown Weekly paste-up for Youth Services' 50th anniversary; Forde Award Program; 50 Testimonials to Commemorate Youth Services' 50th Anniversary.

Accepted Minutes of 1/11/2017

• Community/School Focus:

Discussed Liz's departure from Needham Youth Services effective February 24th. Discussed Karen's departure from the Board at the end of this fiscal year. Discussed "Stretch" program at Pollard. Discussed the possibility of a Police Academy this summer in Needham.

• Youth Services' 50th Anniversary Project

Quotes have begun to appear weekly in the Hometown Weekly, and on a weekly basis quotes have also been posted on our Facebook page as well as sent out to our Listserv.

• Health and Human Services Department Follow Up Discussion (none)

• Program Spotlight: School Collaborations:

Discussed programs such as Make A Statement Day, Teen Daring Violence, Sexual Harassment, Safe Surf, and Kindness Project. Why we collaborate, what are the benefits, etc.

Program Updates

- Screenagers will be coming to Needham on March 29th.
- Fincom; meeting on 2/1 was very positive and our requested budget was approved.
- Summer Intern; we have selected Katie Mullen.
- Clinical Intern; we have selected Caitlin White for the 2017/2018 academic year
- "Challenge Day" Committee update.
- The Patrick Forde Award Ceremony was very fun and successful.
- We will be presenting to the Hillside PTC on 2/15.
- Update on Pollard program on Sexual Harassment.
- Update on Make A Statement Day; slated for March 9th
- Update on the Youth Resource Network.
- Update on Domestic Violence Action Committee.
- Discussed Senior Awards Ceremony in April.
- Update on SPAN Committee.
- Update on VIP Program.
- Update on Peer Tutor Program.
- Update on Safe Surf.
- Update on Needham Unplugged; no homework and no meeting day will be held on March 9th.

• Old/New Business

Retreat in March --- discussed and assignments for food.

• **Adjourn** --- next meeting scheduled for March 8th at the Center at the Heights.

Members Present: Karen Folb, David Bookston, Jack Cruickshank, Kevin Keane, Susan Patkin, Jilliam Smith,

Vin Springer

Members Absent: Julie Stevens

Staff Present: Jon Mattleman, Katy Colthart, Liz Loveless

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