

Needham Youth Commission

Board of Director Meeting Notes

Aril 15, 2009

Materials Distributed (both prior to and at the meeting): Agenda; Minutes of 3/11/09; April Department Report; “A Conversation...” Evaluation; QPR Evaluation; “Parents Please...Evaluation”; RAY of Hope Press Release; Make A Statement Day Materials and video; and newspaper articles (8).

➤ **Approved the Meeting Notes of 3/11/09**

➤ **Department Report**

- Distributed supplemental information packet.
- QPR Update: presentation on 3/24 was well received (we are now finished for this academic year).
- A Conversation...For Parents of Teens Update: final program on 3/25 was well received.
- Babysitter Trainings Update: Final training for this year finish in early April.
- Attended Suicide Prevention workshop focusing on “Grieving” on 3/20/09.
- Healthy Needham 2011 continues to meet; please contact the office for details about program on 4/28/09
- Safe Surf Update: Statistics/evaluations have been completed and will be presented at a future meeting.
- Books and Bridges Update: Completing programming for this academic year.
- Completed another year of Teen Dating Violence at Needham High School for 9th graders; well received.
- We once again fielded a team for the NEF’s Spelling Bee which took place in early April.
- Final planning for this summer’s Project VAN is already underway (check website for details).
- Final planning for this summer’s Extreme Looks is already underway (check website for details).
- Update on First Annual Award Ceremony for graduating Peer Tutors (DVD is on website)
- Youth Source Newsletter will be published later this month; transitioning to more “brochure-ish” Publication.
- Discussed move to the Public Services Administration Building and associated issues.
- Update on the Needham Coalition on Suicide Prevention, meeting with the leadership of the Needham Public School regarding this issues, and the statewide annual conference.
- We played a role on the committee bringing the Energy Forum to Needham on 4/30/09.
- The Annual Town Meeting is slated to begin on 5/4/09
- Our second Parent Program at Sweet Basil Restaurant was well received.
- Our 2009/2010 Clinic Intern will be Rachel Hoogasian.
- Update on the activities of DVAC
- Update on STA DAY and presentation to Pollard students on Take Back The Night program.

➤ **Administrative Focus: FY 2010**

General update regarding FY 2010.

➤ **Program Focus: Review of 2009 Make A Statement Day**

Discussed the 2009 edition, inclusive of student and teacher participation, “shirt making” days, and the impact upon Needham High School. Pictures and articles were distributed to members, and members watched the Ne4edham Community Channel’s story on this program. Overall it was a highly successful year.

➤ **Old/New Business**

(none)

➤ **Next Board Meeting:** April 15, 2009 --- Selectmen’s Office

Members Present:	Cathy Lunetta, Connie Barr, Ian Campbell Sarah Cocuzzo, Vin Springer, Ronnie Haas, Debbie Winnick
Members Absent:	Doug Levy
Staff Present:	Jon Mattleman, Katy Colthart, Alex Hogan
Notes By:	Jon Mattleman