

# **Needham Youth Commission**

## **Board of Director Meeting Notes**

June 10, 2009

Materials Distributed (both prior to and at the meeting): Agenda; Minutes of 5/13/09; June Department Report; QPR Evaluation Compilation of 3/24/09; Peer Tutor Pizza Party Flyer; RAY of Hope Press Release; Extreme Looks Flyer; Extreme Looks program materials; Project VAN Flyer, Project VAN program materials; Needham Youth Center Year End Report; and newspaper articles (3).

### ➤ **Approved the Meeting Notes of 5/13/09**

### ➤ **Department Report**

- Distributed supplemental information packet.
- Vin Springer cannot be at the meeting.
- The Rotary Club of Needham has funded the Books and Bridges program for another year.
- We recently completed another cycle of Picture Perfect at Pollard; it continues to be well received.
- Update on the Annual Town Meeting...it finally ended!
- Update on the activities of Domestic Violence Action Committee.
- Update on our work to create a bi-annual brochure of programs and services; target completion date is mid-July.
- Distributed Needham Youth Center Year End Report.
- Make A Statement Day and Take Back The Night groups at Needham High School are already meeting and planning for the 2009/2010 academic year.
- Update on Peer Tutor Program 2009/2010; applications for the next year have closed and we are easily sold out.
- We have been in the process of discussing how to better connect with youth and the community utilizing technology --- video clips on our website, Facebook, etc.
- We helped to organize a program for college freshman and high school seniors focusing on depression/suicide and the need to be safe and help others be safe; over 160 attended this event on 6/2.
- This will be Sarah Cocuzzo's last meeting; she is headed to Hamilton next year for college.
- Ariana Chae was appointed recently appointed by the School Committee to a two-year term on the Board.
- Update on the Town Hall Moving Committee and our relocated to 500 Dedham Avenue.

### ➤ **Administrative Focus: Vote for Chair and Vice Chair for FY 2010**

Congratulations to Cathy Lunetta for her re-election to the position of Chair and to Connie Barr for her re-election to the position of Vice- Chair.

### ➤ **Program Focus: Summer Programs --- Van and Extreme Looks**

An overview of each program was discussed and program materials were distributed. Both are once again sold out programs.

### ➤ **Old/New Business**

- o Summer Meeting --- date change from July 14<sup>th</sup> to July 15<sup>th</sup> (location to be determined).
- o November Meeting was scheduled for the 11<sup>th</sup> (Veterans Day); meeting will be rescheduled for the 4<sup>th</sup>.
- o Discussed potential name change and more information will be available at the July meeting.
- o We took a moment to recognize Alex Hogan.

### ➤ **Next Board Meeting:** July 15, 2009 --- (location to be announced)

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