

**MEETING MINUTES
YOUTH SERVICES COMMISSION
MONDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2017
6:30 P.M., EAST GRANBY FARMS**

**Members present: Bob Ravens-Seger, Eugenia Drake, Rachel Griffin, Carrie Tuczinski.
Staff present: None.**

1. Call To Order – the meeting was called to order at 6:36 p.m.
2. Public Comment on Agenda Items – none.
3. Correspondence – none.
4. Review of Minutes – Bob made the motion to accept the minutes, second by Eugenia.
Accepted unanimously.
5. Additions To Agenda – none.
6. Old Business
 - a) Board of Ed/Prevention Speakers – Bob
Dr. Mahoney has approved the program. Bob will follow up with principals at the middle and high schools for scheduling Ginger Katz of the Courage To Speak. The cost would be split between the town and school. We are planning for a talk to both groups in the auditorium at the General Assembly this year.
 - b) Electronic Safety – Angela has reached out to staff to coordinate programming.
7. New Business
 - Programming – Our student members are interested in coordinating with Sue, a student roundtable with peer mediators to assist youth in making connections on important issues facing them. Both Carrie and Rachel are interested in leading this group. The Board agreed that another First Aid offering would be of interest to the community.

- Halloween Party – The program will be run by Park and Rec and Youth Services. The date is October 28, 2017 which has been posted to the website and Facebook. A flyer will also be published in Talk Turkey. Games, food, magic show in the school auditorium are planned. Middle School Youth Action Council Members will assist with volunteer efforts at the program.
- YAC – The MS YAC is working on programs including Waste Not Want Not, and Social Services Opportunities such as holiday baskets. The HS YAC is in the planning phases with the Make A Wish Foundation, will be volunteering for the Recycle a Gift program, and are volunteer for fall festivities at Brown’s Family Farm. The Board agreed that the leaders of the Youth Action Council should provide us with updates at least once a month and attend meetings when practical.

8. Promotion

- Eugenia will assume responsibility for FaceBook/Website Administration. Content will be pre-approved. Eugenia will create content for posting twice per month to increase awareness of what we are working on. Angela will reach out to staff to request updates from the YAC leaders to share with the public.

9. Membership – Bob has a person in mind for the vacancy, and he will get back with us.

10. Public Comment – none.

11. Adjournment – the meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Next meeting: November 20, 2017

Respectfully submitted,

Angela Ciottone, Chair