

**YOUTH SERVICES COMMISSION
EAST GRANBY, CONNECTICUT**

MINUTES

10/17/2022

1. CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the East Granby Youth Services Commission was held Monday, the seventeenth of October 2022 at the East Granby Community Center. Chairman Bob Ravens-Seger called the meeting to order at 6:34 pm. Members present were Vice Chairman Josette Lumbruno, Sara Kleinman, Evan Hanks, and Mia Hines, and YAC Facilitators Alicia Cruz. Also present was Program Supervisor Alicia Van Neil and Program Coordinator Becky Hayes

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

3. CORRESPONDENCE

None

4. APPROVE MINUTES

A motion was made by J. Lumbruno and seconded by A. Reardon to approve the minutes of the prior meeting. Votes in favor were unanimous. Motion carried.

5. OLD BUSINESS

A. Programming

A. Van Neil reported the Grief workshop was scheduled and people were beginning to register, drop-ins are welcome. Dog Therapy happened at the Middle School and the High School is scheduled for next month. Still looking for additional dogs to expand to the Elementary Schools. Boys Council and Girls Circle programs are all going well. Girls on an Adventure is also going well, and the instructor is looking to create a high school group for January 2023.

B. YAC Update

A. Van Neil reported that the students will be helping with the 2 Halloween craft programs and were working on other community activities and opportunities.

A Cruz reported that there were 3 high school students at the leadership retreat. Several of the students were volunteering to help with the Newgate pumpkin program this week. The group was also working on details for volunteering at Waste-Not-Want-Not in Granby, their annual Recycle-A-Gift program, and the Letters to Santa program, as well as an event for a sick member of the community. One of the members is also looking at the possibility of creating an American Red Cross Club. Both groups are still working on whether they could offer the Seymour Mentorship program.

C. JRB Update

A Van Neil reported a new chair was selected (Bonnie Jones) and the vice-chair (Dave McNalley) were both appointed. The group discussed changes in. The group also spoke about meeting with the guidance staff at the high school with P. Gustafson to make sure everyone is aware of the resource.

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. Needs Assessment Discussion

Virtual presentation was scheduled for staff with the consulting company to review the results and then see what the next steps would be and how we would present the information gained with the community.

B. Meeting Dates for 2023

S Kleinman made a motion to accept the proposed calendar of dates for 2023 and January 2024. Motion passed unanimously.

C. Commission Members Terms ending in January 2023

B Ravens-Serger term is ending next January. Discussed continuation of serving and associated requirements and formalities.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

9. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by A Reardon and seconded by J Lumbruno to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 pm. The votes in favor were unanimous. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Brian Daddario
Commission Clerk