



Montville Youth Advisory Board

Minutes

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June 12, 2025

6:00 p.m.

Fair Oaks

Meeting Minutes

Members Present: Chairman: Daniel Dunn, Tim Shanahan, Dan Boisvert, Micah Messer, Brianne Messer, Susan Rickards, Officer Karen Aleshire, Loretta Drain

Also Present: MYSB Director Barbara Lockhart, MYSB Administrative Assistant Dianne Peltier, Youth Liaison Adam Sheridan, 2025-2026 Liaison's Anastasia Schryver & Jason Sheridan

Absent: William Carlos, Town Council Liaison Councilman Nick Sabilia, Youth Liaison Josie English, and Vouise Fonville

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m.

I. Chairman's Report (Dan Dunn)

- Communications/Correspondence – By-law Mission Statement was revised and accepted on June 12, 2025
- Other Business to Report – No report

II. Town Council Liaison Update (Nick Sabilia)

- No Report

III. New Business

- June 16th ASP Celebration with Food Trucks
 - We will be celebrating the last day of school with Mr. Hot Dog and Robin's Ice Cream. ASP families and the Board, Mayor, Police are all invited to attend
- Fall Mental Health Campaign
 - Sticking with our "You Good, Bro?" Campaign but tweaking it a bit for the Fall
 - Trying to get Gizmo into the school, mental health education designed for kids, includes a dog, it would be nice to have an emotional support dog in the schools, kids as young as 3rd grade having suicidal thoughts
- ASP Registration for 2025-2026
 - Re-registration was open for all existing participants, which ends June 13th. New registration for community members starts June 23rd

IV. Old Business

- Tower
 - Some movement, #1 problem for funding being that it's on private property. Owner is on board and has done some in-kind services
 - Shifting to asking sponsorships from local businesses for help with the cost
- Summer Center
 - Summer Center begins June 24th and is full plus 5 spots were added, police will be going on the field trips again this year
 - No free lunch or breakfast although MYSB will provide a continental breakfast each day and lunch on field trips only
- Town App Update
 - Replaced Everbridge, push notifications for road closures, emergencies, etc., Montville Town Department info, etc.
- You Good, Bro?
 - New summer billboard located in Hartford and locally. Patches and t-shirts are still available for purchase, yard signs as well (free)
 - Schools have the mental health boards equipped with de-escalating tools in the counseling and respite rooms
- Youth Summit
 - In partnership with SERAC, MYSB hosted ALLI with about 50 kids in attendance for the wrap up of the leadership program. Very successful and looking forward to doing it again next school year

V. YAC (Youth Action Council) (Adam Sheridan & Josie English)

- Stall Street Journal
 - New one will be put up in September
- Mohegan Elementary SEL Night
 - Josie, Adam, Anastasia and other YAC kids brought information about Gizmo (Mental Health Therapy Dog), Adam reported how great it was that many families stopped by the table for information
- 2025-2026 Liaisons
 - Adam introduced Jason Sheridan and Anastasia Schryver as the incoming liaisons for 2025-2026

VI. Good & Welfare

- Lions Club
 - Officer Aleshire was in attendance to accept the \$350 donation from the Mohegan Pequot Lions. We are grateful for their generosity every year

- Community Member
 - Very generous community member donated \$500 to send a teen to camp this summer! We are very grateful to them as well again this year!

VII. MYDT (formally JRB) (Update Cases, Dispositions, Referrals)

- Cases
 - 2 case reviews and several new referrals just came in
 - New grant cycle and application is due July 1

VIII. Other Business

- Grants (State & Local)
 - Good shape, full funding from legislative
- Budgets (State & Local)
 - State – YSB funding still whole
 - Local – Budget stands as submitted

X. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 6:56 p.m.

XI. Next Meeting

- Thursday, September 11, 2025 – 6:00pm Fair Oaks

Submitted by Dianne Peltier, Administrative Assistant MYSB