



Montville Youth Advisory Board

Minutes

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**Special Meeting
September 15, 2016
6:00 p.m.**

Members Present: Chairman: Daniel Dunn, Alley Schmeizl, Susan Rickards, Tim Shanahan, Dan Boisvert, Bethany Caron

Also Present: MYSB Director Barbara Lockhart and Liaison Councilman Tim May

Absent: Brie Messer, Grace Carlos, William Carlos, Megan Bishop, Lt Lenny Bunnell

The meeting was called to order at 6:07pm

I. Chairman's Report

- A. Minutes Approval – June 2016 Minutes approved
- B. Communications/Correspondence
 - The Director of MYSB welcomed new member, Bethany Caron
 - Barb received compliments about the new parking lot and appreciation for answering questions about the parking lot

II. New Business, Programs, Events & Fundraisers

- A. New Staff
 - Four new staff members – Abby, Danielle, Ryan and Axel, welcome back Alicia
- B. Pancake Breakfast
 - October 23, 2016 8:00am – 12:00pm at Mohegan Firehouse
- C. Relocation Update
 - The move went very well. Kudos to Public Works for an amazing job
 - Youth are reporting positive feedback about the new space. They really like the grass area, the homework room space and layout overall. The homework space is much quieter which is helpful
 - Security – doorbell in place and security cameras on site
 - New signage is being explored. There also may be an option to use the digital sign at the high school, councilman has offered to donate the engineering services for the new sign. Allyson will ask the Community Center Building Committee for their thoughts on what the sign might say (ie: Montville Community Center – Home of Montville Youth Service Bureau?)
- D. 2016-2017 ASP Update
 - ASP is full with a waiting list. Mostly grades 6-8
 - LCSW on-sight one day a week to support families
- E. Lights On After School
 - October 20th – Nationwide celebration after school until 7:00pm
- F. Save the Date Holiday Social
 - Please RSVP to Dianne ASP – a reminder will be sent 12/8 @ Norwich Inn & Spa

III. Old Business

- A. Community Conversation Series (Mental Health)
 - Looking into the Fall
- B. Summer Center Report
 - Very successful – Montville PD participated on 3 trips

IV. YAC (Youth Action Council) – N/A

V. Good and Welfare

- A. Project Grad 2016
 - \$250.00 Donation
- B. May Family
 - Bonnie May brought in a donation to thank the YSB for her daughter Sarah's experience during Summer Center
- C. Oakdale School
 - Wear Jeans Day – \$85.40 donation for books
 - Dave Autencio donated books

VI. JRB Update (Cases, Dispositions, Referrals)

- A. Case Review
 - Meets 2nd Thursday of the month at MPD Safety Building
 - As of October 2017 no truancy cases anymore and the responsibility will fall on the school system
 - Montville's chronic absenteeism rate was approximately 6% in 2014-2015
- B. Policy and Procedural Manual
 - Completed and released on the CYSA website

VII. Other Business

- A. Meeting Location
 - Because of the relocation of Youth Services the location of all further meetings has changed. Dan will reach out to Town Clerk, Lisa Terry, to confirm.
Motion to accept new location 1st by Dan B., 2nd by Susan, approved

VIII. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn, 1st by Tim S. 2nd by Susan, meeting adjourned 7:18pm

IX. Next Meeting

October 13, 2016 – 6:00pm – Fair Oaks Community Center

Respectfully Submitted: Allyson Schmeizl (MYAB Secretary)
Reviewed and typed by Dianne Peltier, MYSB Administrative Assistant

