



Montville Youth Advisory Board Minutes

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October 13, 2016

6:00 p.m.

Members Present: Chairman: Daniel Dunn, Alley Schmeizl, Tim Shanahan, Dan Boisvert, Brie Messer, Megan Bishop, Lt Lenny Bunnell

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

Absent: Bethany Caron, Susan Rickards, Grace Carlos, William Carlos

The meeting was called to order at 6:03pm

I. Chairman's Report

- A. Minutes Approval – September 2016 Minutes approved
- B. Communications/Correspondence
 - Interviews were conducted at Town Council meeting – 3 reappointments

II. New Business, Programs, Events & Fundraisers

- A. Parent/Toddler Playgroup Update
 - Moving out of the existing space to a different room and the gym (safety mats are available). The group recently did interactive crafts to help develop fine motor skills, seniors are going to come in and read. Hoping to bring in some early childhood experts – need funding
- B. Counseling Services Update
 - Darin is here one day a week (Wednesdays) 12 – 4pm next week 3 – 7pm, there is a private entity for clients. Girl's Circle starting up again in the spring

III. Old Business

- A. New Staff
 - Going very well – Four staff with diverse backgrounds
- B. Pancake Breakfast
 - October 23, 2016 at Mohegan Firehouse 8:00am – 12pm. There will be raffle prizes. The board will like to explore advertising the event on the high school sign
- C. Relocation Update
 - Things are going very well; the kids are reporting back that they are very happy
 - The shed is getting moved; Public Works has been outstanding
 - Screens have been ordered to allow for better airflow
 - Safety cones and chains will be placed in parking lot for safety
- D. 2016-2017 ASP Update
 - Waiting list is growing quickly
 - Lights on After School – Thursday, October 20th 3pm – 7pm – National program started by Colin Powell

- E. Holiday Social – Thursday, December 8th at 6:00pm – Norwich Inn and Spa
- F. Community Conversation Series (Mental Health)
 - Tonya Patten high and Barbara Lockhart are collaborating on this for the spring 2017 – a committee will be formed

IV. YAC (Youth Action Council)

- A. Meetings are held at Youth Services and at the high school. YAC has grown over the past 2 years
- B. Mitchell College Conference – YAC is participating in November
- C. Trick or Trunk – Wizard of Oz theme
- D. Coordinating with high school with Doug Wheeler and George Dawe – students are volunteering more because high school is so close

V. Good and Welfare

- A. Mohegan Sun, parents and businesses donating food, gift cards and baskets for our pancake breakfast

VI. JRB Update (Cases, Dispositions, Referrals)

- A. Case Review
 - Second Thursday of the month. One case didn't become a case because YSB was able to case manage the youth's needs and met with the trooper to discuss the arrest
- B. Policy and Procedures Manual (Signature)
 - Every JRB panel member is signing that they've reviewed the manual

VII. Other Business

- A. The wrestling schedule is all set and the relationship with them is excellent
- B. In partnership with SERAC, the town will get 100 drug testing kits for free
- C. Allyson shared an update about the community building – the committee discussed the idea of updating the sign to say "Montville Community Center" and would include "Home of Montville Youth Services"

VIII. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn, 1st by Tim S. 2nd by Dan B., meeting adjourned 7:10pm

IX. Next Meeting

November 10, 2016 – 6:00pm – Fair Oaks Community Center

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

