

Needham Youth Services

Board of Director Meeting Notes

May 11, 2011

Materials Distributed (both prior to and at the meeting): Agenda; Minutes of 4/13/2011; May Department Report; “A Conversation” Evaluation Compilation; “Babysitter Training” Evaluation Compilation; Summer Programs 2011 Brochure; Peer Tutor Award Ceremony picture; Bullying Intervention Program Draft; Needham Public School Bullying Resource Guide Draft; and ten (10) newspaper articles.

➤ **5:30 Welcome to Michelle Butman**

➤ **5:45 Acceptance of Meeting Notes of 4/13/2011**

➤ **5:45 – 6:10 Program Focus: Staff Presentation of Bullying Intervention Program**

The staff presented background information regarding the changes in the Massachusetts Laws regarding Bullying, and the resulting changes in school policy and focus in this area. A draft version of the Needham Public Schools’ Bullying Resources Guide was shared. In addition, staff shared an abridged and draft form of the new Bullying Intervention Program (www.needhamma.gov/youth/bip). A full version of this new program will be available and presented in the summer or fall.

➤ **6:10 – 6:35 Community Focus: Discussion of What’s Happening in our Community as it Relates to Youth and Families**

Discussed a range of programs/thoughts/ideas including:

- Ronnie’s representing the department at Temple Beth Elohim’s “Connecting Matters” forum on 4.24.2011
- Presenting to the Needham Clergy Association Meeting in late April
- Participating in a program which was a “quasi” follow-up to the screening of the movie “Race to Nowhere”

➤ **6:35 – 6:40 FY 2012 Meeting Dates**

Approved the proposed FY 2012 Meeting Dates --- location will be determined for many of these as it is unclear if/when we will be ready to hold meetings at the renovated Town Hall.

➤ **6:40 – 6:55 Old/New Business**

- o Town Meeting Update
- o Our Clinical Intern Courtney Hale will be leaving this month
- o We participated on the Pollard Principal Search Committee
- o June will be the final meeting for Arianna and for Doug
- o Reported on possible replacements for our departing Board members
- o Cathy asked to get a listing of Board Members’ terms of office (this will be emailed out later in the week or next week)
- o Cathy shared about Danielle Penny’s award from the Exchange Club for her work to establish the Mentor Network

➤ **6:55 Adjourn**

Members Present:	Cathy Lunetta, Ronnie Haas, Ariana Chae, Doug Levy, Danielle Penny, Vin Springer, Debbie Winnick
Members Absent:	Jessica Hoguet
Staff Present:	Jon Mattleman, Katy Colthart, Michelle Butman
Notes Bv:	Jon Mattleman