

Needham Youth Services

Board of Director Meeting Notes

September 11, 2013

Materials Distributed (both prior to and at the meeting): Agenda; Minutes of 5/8/2013; June Department Report; Summary of comments by participants regarding potential bullying scenarios; Peer Tutor flyer; Peer Tutee flyer; Single Parent Support Group flyer; Extreme Looks flyer; Project VAN flyer; Peer Tutor Award Ceremony program; Make A Statement Day 2013 pictures; Forde Award materials; Needham Youth Cards, and eleven (11) press articles.

- **Accepted Minutes of 6/12/2013**

- **Update on Summer 2013**

Updated members on the following: new social media sites, Project VAN, Extreme Looks, new Youth Cards, Single Parent Support Group, and the revamped Youth Services website.

- **Community Focus Discussion**

Discussed a range of topics including new regulations for all students at the high school regarding substance use violations, the powder puff game, and the beginning of the school year.

- **Board and Staff changes**

Discussed the retirement of Carol Rosenstock (and the process of rehiring for this position), Debbie Winnick's leaving the Board of Directors after 18 years (and her eventual replacement), and welcoming Regina Longley to the Board.

- **Vote for Positions of Chair and Vice-Chair**

Unanimously voted to elect Karen Folb as Chair and Julie Stevens as Vice-Chair for FY 2014. Congratulation to Karen and to Julie.

- **Programs and Services Updates**

- In early September we welcomed our new Clinical Intern, Adina Alpert.
- VIP Program; interviews are beginning and program launches in November.
- Forde Award: recertifying past nominees and identifying new nominees.
- A Conversation...For Parents of Teens: begins next month.
- Babysitter Trainings: begin next month.
- Youth Resource Network: first meeting was held on 9.11.2013.
- Addressing Pollard/HR PTC on 9.20.2013.
- Peer Tutor: Training held on 9.10.2013 and Match Saturday to be held on 9.28.2013.
- Working on both Middle School and High School Parenting Conferences.

- **New/Old Business:**

- FY 2015 preview
- Center at the heights opens in mid-October

- **Next Meeting:**

The next meeting will be held on October 9, 2013, 2013 in the Highland Meeting Room (Needham Town Hall)

- **Adjourn --- in honor of Debbie Winnick and her 18 years serving with distinction on the Youth Commission Board of Directors**

Members Present:	Debbie Winnick, Karen Folb, David Bookston, Regina Longley, Justin Jones, Susan Patkin Vin Springer, Julie Stevens
Staff Present:	Jon Mattleman, Katy Colthart, Nichelle Butman
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