

Needham Youth Services

Board of Director Meeting Notes

January 8, 2014

Materials Distributed (both prior to and at the meeting): Agenda; Minutes of 12/11/2013; January Department Report; Evaluation Compilation for “The Secret Life...” Workshop; Evaluation Compilation for the “Teens and Technology” Workshop; Evaluation Compilation for the “Babysitter Training Seminar;” and the QPR Suicide Prevention Folder/Information.

- **Accepted Minutes of 12/11/2013**
- **Meet Maria Papantoniou (our new Department Assistant)**
Members met Maria and learned more about her and what her first seven weeks at Needham Youth Services has been like.
- **Community Focus Discussion**
Discussed The Project Moves program (which is almost sold out!), as well as the issues and nuances of medical marijuana in the state and the potential impact for Needham
- **FY 2015 Budget**
Discussed FY request and new request from the Town Manager.
- **Program Focus**
The QPR Suicide Prevention Trainings were discussed and members learned more about the issues of suicide and depression.
- **Programs and Services Updates**
 - Forde Award Update; award ceremony to be held on January 27th at the library.
 - A Conversation...For Parents of Teens Update; next program in February.
 - Babysitter Trainings: Virtually sold out for the coming program.
 - Middle School Parenting Conference was very successful.
 - High School Parenting Conference scheduled for Saturday, 1/25.
 - Update on Peer Tutor Program; discussion group upcoming.
 - Continue to attend monthly Domestic Violence Action Committee meetings.
 - Update on Youth Resource Network; discussed parent mentor program.
 - Update on MASD, planning meetings starts this week
 - Update on VIP; still going well.
 - Safe Surf Workshops will be held at the High Rock in late January and February.
 - Talked about new “Sibshop” program idea; more information available in February.
 - The search for our 2014/2015 Clinical Intern will begin next month.
 - The Needham Unplugged webpages have been updated.
 - Update on school-based groups.
 - Registration for winter programs opened on Monday; going very well.
- **New/Old Business:** (none)
- **Next Meeting:**
The next meeting will be held on February 12, 2014 in the Highland Meeting Room (Needham Town Hall).

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- **Adjourn**

Members Present: Karen Folb, Julie Stevens, David Bookston, Justin Jones, Kevin Keane, and Susan Patkin

Members Absent: Regina Longley and Vin Springer

Staff Present: Jon Mattleman, Katy Colthart, and Michelle Butman

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