

# Needham Youth Services

## Youth Commission Meeting Notes

12/14/2016

Materials Distributed (both prior to and at the meeting): Agenda; Minutes of 11/9/2016; December Department Report; FY 2016 Statistical Summary, Tutee Evaluation Compilation; Tutor Evaluation Compilation; Project VAN Participant Evaluation; Evaluation Compilation for training of Interns.

- **Accepted Minutes of 11/9/2016**

- **Program Updates**

- Still working with schools to bring “Screenagers” to Needham.
- Next “A Conversation...” program on 1/24
- Addressed Pollard students as part of the Students Take Action Day on 11/16.
- Update on FY 2018 budget.
- “Challenge Day” Committee update.
- The Patrick Forde Award Ceremony is scheduled for Monday, January 23, 2017.
- We will be presenting to the Hillside PTC on 1/25.
- Presenting to members of Temple Beth Shalom on 11/14.
- We will be facilitating a training for Needham Public School interns on 1/4 on depression/suicide.
- Met with Ryan O’Leary from the Police Department.
- We received funding from the Tolman Trust for our Substance Abuse Awareness program.
- Update on Pollard program on Sexual Harassment.
- Update on Make A Statement Day.
- Update on Babysitter Trainings.
- Update on the Youth Resource Network.
- Update on Domestic Violence Action Committee.
- Update on VIP Program.
- Update on Peer Tutor Program.
- Update on new school groups.

- **Youth Services’ 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Project**

Members reviewed, discussed, and selected five (5) quotes which will appear in the Hometown Weekly starting in January, 2017. David and Susan will work to select the remaining 45 quotes. Thank you to all members regarding this project.

- **Health and Human Services Department Follow Up Discussion**

Members discussed concerns regarding the fact that the COA Director will be reclassified to a higher level than the Youth Services Director; and Karen and Julie will be working to create a letter to the Town Manager conveying their concerns about this matter.

- **Old/New Business**

- **Adjourn**

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| Members Present: | Karen Folb, Julie Stevens, David Bookston, Jack Cruickshank, Kevin Keane, Susan Patkin, Jilliam Smith, Vin Springer |
| Staff Present:   | Jon Mattleman, Katy Colthart, Liz Loveless  |
| Notes By:        | Jon Mattleman   |