

Needham Youth Commission

Board of Director Meeting Notes

July 15, 2008

Materials Distributed (both prior to and at the meeting): Agenda; Minutes of 6/11/08; July Department Report; Picture of Display at Needham High School; Teen Dating Violence Seminars Evaluation Compilation; QPR Evaluation Compilation; Safe Surf Evaluation Compilation; Extreme Looks Materials; Project VAN Materials; newspaper articles/clippings (6).

➤ **Approved the Meeting Notes of 6/11/08**

➤ **Department Report**

- Distributed supplemental information packet.
- Town Hall Summer Hours began during the first full week of July.
- Jon Mattleman's yearly evaluation to be completed by Christopher Coleman in the months ahead.
- Carol Rosenstock's yearly evaluation was completed by Jon Mattleman in June.
- The Youth Commission will be continuing the "Parent Coffees" formerly facilitated by Deb Engler.
- Will be facilitating a modified "A Conversation...for Parents of Teens" later this summer.
- QPR and "A Conversation..." schedules and flyers for academic year 2008/2009 are now posted on the web.
- In the process of revising and publishing new edition of the Safe Surf Information Guide for youth and parents.
- Peer Tutor Program update: program is sold out and fall trainings were reviewed.
- Update on Needham Unplugged: still working to identify a date for 2009.
- Nicole Rice will be continuing to facilitate the Babysitter Trainings in 2008/2009.
- Merri Rubin is stepping down after a decade as our Clinical Consultant; a search for her replacement has begun.
- The staff met with new Selectmen Denise Garlick; very positive meeting.
- Summer meetings with school personal including the Superintendent, Principals, etc.
- We will be presenting for a second year at "Back to School" nights at Needham High School in the fall.
- A new edition of our Youth Source newsletter will be available in September.
- We will be organizing and providing a "welcome training" for new school employees on 8/27.
- Update on safe Surf Resource Guides: funded by the Exchange Club; they will be completed in August.
- Books and Bridges scheduling for the coming year will be finalized and posted on the web in August.
- We will be returning to Sweet Basil Restaurant for two Parenting Programs in early 2009.
- "Take Back the Night" is scheduled for the fall; we will be playing an active, but not the lead, role this year.

➤ **Program Focus: Update on Extreme Looks and Project VAN Programs; Revised Fall Programming Overview.**

Reviewed Extreme Looks and VAN programs and shared pictures from this year. Both programs have been very well received, and evaluations for each will be included in the September packet. Fall programming was discussed with regard to how we are planning/offering programs while Katy is on Maternity Leave.

➤ **Administrative Focus: Meet New Board Member; FY 2009 Overview**

We welcomed Ian Campbell to the Board, and he shared a bit about himself and his activities. We also briefly reviewed the FY 2009 expense budget.

➤ **Old/New Business** (none)

➤ **Next Board Meeting:** September 10th, 2008 5:30 Selectmen's Meeting Room, Town Hall

Members Present:	Cathy Lunetta, Ian Campbell, Ronnie Haas, & Debbie Winnick
Members Absent:	Connie Barr, Sarah Cocuzzo, Doug Levy, & Vin Springer
Staff Present:	Jon Mattleman, Katy Colthart, & Alex Hogan
Notes By:	Jon Mattleman