

Town of East Haven, CT.
Youth Services Commission Minutes
December 11, 2013; Teen Center, 200 Tyler Street, East Haven
CT; 7:00PM

Chairperson Al Camera called the meeting to order at 7:09 P.M.

Agenda Item-Roll Call

Present: Al Camera, Chuck Licata, Adam Perrotti, Mary Varunes, Ed Wajdowicz

Commissioners Absent: CJ Cofrancesco, Amanda Hopkins, Dominic Milano, Bianca Pappacoda.

Non-Commissioners present: Bob Petrucelli, Kelly Smith.

Agenda Item-To consider and approve the November 13, 2013 minutes

Commissioner Camera asked if there were any changes to the November 13, 2013 minutes. A Motion to accept the November 13, 2013 minutes was made by Commissioner Wadowicz seconded by Commissioner Licata. Motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item: Teen Center Program Update

- a. Review Recent Events -Mr. Petrucelli updated the commissioners on the last teen center event which was held on December 6, 2013 for the 6th grade students. The event was again very successful with approximately 75 students in attendance. Students were very respectful and well behaved. A large number of students participated in a pie eating contest. The winner of the contest received a gift certificate. Mr. Petrucelli has a few parents of 6th grade students that would like to get involved in helping and planning events at the teen center
- b. Schedule-December 20, 2013- Discussion about hosting a holiday movie event for the December 20th 2013 event which would be open to all students in grades 6th, 7th and 8th. Commissioner Camera would like to have Commissioner Perrotti distribute a brief survey for students to pick a movie that they would like to see. A few suggestions are Elf, Christmas Vacation, Christmas with the Kranks, The Grinch and a blank spot for any other suggestion.

Commissioner's Camera and Perrotti will get back to Mr. Petrucelli by the middle of next week with the top choice pick. This event will be similar to the movie night at the old teen center on Frontage Road that featured Happy Gilmore.

- c. Program Update- Commissioner Varnues stated that towns such as Branford offer activities for teens such as Zumba, drum lessons, and art lessons. Commissioner Varunes would like to see activities such as these offered to students at some of the teen center events. Bowling, trips to the movies or CT Sports Plex were also suggested.

Mr. Petrucelli provided the Commission with dates to upcoming events and after discussion the following schedule was agreed upon:

1/10/14 - 6th grade students only (Scavenger Hunt)
1/24/14 - 7th & 8th grade students (Super bowl Party) Tailgate food party.
2/07/14 - 7th & 8th grade students (Valentine's Party) flowers, candy and the ladies get free admission for the night.
2/21/14 - 6th graders only (Movie Night)
3/07/14 - 7th & 8th grader students (March Midnight Madness) basketball tournaments.

Teen Commissioners Report-

None at this time.

To consider and act upon any matter brought before the Commission-

The commission took this opportunity to congratulate Mr. Petrucelli on his 25 years of service to the Town of East Haven. Thank you for your hard work and passion to the youth of our town.

A MOTION to adjourn the meeting at 8:06p.m. was made by Commissioner Varunes, Seconded by Commissioner Perrotti, Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelly Smith

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Recording Secretary

