

Town of East Haven, CT.
Youth Services Commission Minutes
November 14, 2012; Teen Center, 200 Tyler Street, East Haven
CT; 7:00PM

Chairperson Al Camera called the meeting to order at 7:17 P.M.

Agenda Item-Roll Call

Present: Al Camera, CJ Cofrancesco, Emily Kuzma, Bianca Pappacoda, Mary Varunes, Ed Wajdowicz.

Commissioners Absent: Chuck Licata, Dominic Milano, Cindy Recinos.

Non-Commissioners present: Mary Cofrancesco, Bob Petrucelli, Kelly Smith.

Agenda Item-To consider and approve the October 10, 2012 minutes

A Motion to accept the October 10, 2012 minutes as presented was made by Commissioner Ed Wajdowicz, seconded by Mary Varunes. Motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item-Set 2013 Youth Service Commission Meeting Schedule

Mr. Petrucelli presented the commissioners a schedule for the upcoming calendar year 2013. The schedule for 2013 YSB Commission will be the following dates.

January 9, 2013
February 13, 2013
March 13, 2013
April 10, 2013
May 8, 2013
June 12, 2013
July 2013 **No Meeting**
August 2013- **No Meeting**
September 11, 2013
October 9, 2013
November 13, 2013
December 11, 2013
January 8, 2014

A motion to accept the schedule for 2013 was made by Commissioner CJ Cofrancesco, seconded by Ed Wajdowicz. Motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item-City of New Haven Mayors Youth Committee Meeting

Mr. Petrucelli has been in touch with representatives of the City of New Haven regarding a potential meeting of the Teen Commissioners from both towns. The teen Commissioners from the city of New Haven are not appointed by the Mayor unlike the Teen Commissioners from East Haven. Mr. Petrucelli asked the teen commissioners if they would be interested in joining them one evening in the city of New Haven. All teen commissioners are in favor at this time. Mr. Petrucelli will be in touch with the YSB Coordinator for the City of New Haven to set a date.

Agenda Item- Teen Commissioners Report

A few of the Commissioners terms will be expiring on February 1, 2013. Mr. Petrucelli will bring an updated list of commissioners and terms to the December meeting. The idea of having a middle school student appointed to the commission was discussed.

Agenda Item- Teen Center Program Update

Mr. Petrucelli reported to the commission that John Torniero and volunteers have finished painting in the front area. The front room will be the entrance into the teen center and a lounge area. There is a step in the front area that Mr. Petrucelli will be using reflective tape and other means to make students aware of the step down. The second room area will be known as the game room, pool area and house the DJ. Mr. Petrucelli mentioned that a second coat of paint is still needed in this room along with ceiling tiles, lighting, framing the mirrors and having the rug cleaned. Rick Raffone from Biddy Basketball welcomed the teen center use of the gymnasium from 9-10:00 on Friday nights.

The East Haven Police Union would like to make a donation to the Teen Center; one suggestion was for a possible X-box connects game. Kelly Smith will be donating a microwave to the Teen Center. Mariner's Point would like to donate some furniture, sofas, tables, and chairs when they have some. David Brennan owner of East Haven Funeral Home would like to donate an Air Hockey Table.

Mr. Petrucelli met with Sgt. Emerman from the East Haven Police Dept. to discuss drop off and pick up at the new location. There will be a chaperone assigned to parking lot area outside entrance. Pick up parking area will be around back of pool area. Parents will need to come in to pick up their children. Commissioner Camera suggested getting the word out through the Connect Ed system at school. Commissioner Wajdowicz mentioned posting something on Patch informing parents. Commissioner Wajdowicz also suggested having saw horses to help with the traffic flow after each event. Mr. Petrucelli mentioned to the commission the need to have more chaperones at each event. Opening night is scheduled for December 14th, 2012.

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

None

A MOTION to adjourn the meeting at 8:07P.M. was made by Commissioner CJ Cofrancesco, Seconded by Commissioner Emily Kuzma, Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelly Smith

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Recording Secretary