

Waterford Youth Services Bureau
Advisory Committee Meeting
Wednesday, November 17, 2010
Youth Services Conference Room

Call to Order:

Chairperson Maureen Murphy called the meeting to order at 5:35pm and a quorum established.

Attendees:

Justin Barczak, Erin Eccleston (YSB Program Coordinator), Dani Gorman (YSB Director), Brianna Grills, John Guarino, Ryan McNamara, Maureen Murphy (Chairperson), Jody Nazarchyk, Kathleen Peterson, Christine Poscich (YSB Grant Project Coordinator), Jennifer Radack, Gene Ryan, Nicole VanOverloop

Absent:

Mark Gelinias, Lisa Sachatello

Public Input: None

Motion #1

J. Nazarchyk made the motion to approve the minutes from October 20, 2010. N. VanOverloop seconded the motion. Vote unanimous.

Correspondence:

None

Program Report:

E. Eccleston reported that Jeanette Theiler will be facilitating a wreath making class on December 1. There will also be a card making class, where kids will make the Christmas cards that will be sent out to all the town departments. She reported that all other programs ended due to the Holiday Basket program.

Student Report:

J. Barczak reported that the drama club will be holding auditions for their third production of the season, *Our Town* by Thornton Wilder, on Tuesday, November 16th after school. He discussed that the WHS 2011 Graduation Party Committee is selling Lancer beads, holiday wreaths, and butter braids. Lancer beads and wreath orders are due on November 19th, and the butter braid orders are due on November 29th. He reported that the Waterford Gay Straight Alliance is back. The club's motto is "Diversity and Acceptance". He reported that wrestling will begin on November 29th and discussed the results of the freshman

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class election. B. Grills reported that there will be a winter concert on December 7th, and the junior class is holding a gift card fundraiser.

Director's Report:

D. Gorman reported that we are working with the WHS graduation committee again this year. The committee uses the office space and has a good relationship with the school administration. She discussed that the Justice League successfully ended at CLMS. The group consisted of 19 7th and 8th graders who got the opportunity to work with six different police officers and learn the laws. She discussed that as part of the Justice League, Beth Holloway will be speaking to the public on January 13. The Justice League members will have dinner with her before her presentation, and will be given the opportunity to ask her questions privately. She then reported that YSB will be holding Stuff the Bus on November 18th to raise food for the Inter-Faith Food Locker.

Financial Report:

The financial report was discussed. D. Gorman reported that she will have a draft of the new budget at next month's meeting.

WADE Coalition Report:

C. Poscich reported that the WADE Ad Campaign won Best in Show in the New England Newspaper Advertising Executives Association. She also discussed that the coalition is now focusing on a new community assessment. D. Gorman reported that WADE will be sponsoring a Dancing with the Stars event, which will feature the popular teachers from each school as well as employees from some of the different town departments.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

- a. Board of Education Update- J. Nazarchyk reported that the Board of Education has hired Jerry Belair as the new Superintendent of schools. He will start on February 5th.
- b. Holidays- M. Delauro reported that November 17th was the last day to sign up for Thanksgiving help. There are 71 families signed up for Thanksgiving baskets, while last year there were 56 families. She also reported that Christmas sign ups end on December 4.
- c. By-Laws- The committee by-laws were reviewed.

Motion #2: R. McNamara made the motion to adjourn the meeting. G. Ryan seconded the motion. Vote unanimous.

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The meeting adjourned at 6:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Erin Eccleston
WYSB Program Coordinator

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