

NEWTON YOUTH COMMISSION Meeting

March 4, 2009 MINUTES

Location: Newton City Hall Cafeteria

Present: Joe De Vito (Chair), Richard Dyer, Donna Gordon, Terrance Sack, Robert Staulo, Marianne Cook, Chris Fortunato, Matt Green, Police Officer Jeffrey Mace, Ellen Manning, Stephanie Pelkowsky
Students: Alison Clott, Jennie Krems

Regrets: Anthony Bibbo, Peter Harrington, John Staulo, Stephan Ross, Kirsten Tuohy
Students: Sam Arsenault, Emma Collins, Jason Green, Maya Guttman, Greg Kelley, Tamra Matama, Kyle Olson, Zoe Pepper-Cunningham, Kyle Russo, Adam Sangiolo, Annie Staulo, and Ariana Tabatabaie

Staff: Beverly Droz, Director, Human and Volunteer Services

Guests: none

The meeting was opened at 7:05pm and chaired by Joe De Vito.
Introductions were made.

A motion to accept the minutes of February 4, 2009 passed.

Treasurer's report: The balance of the revolving account is \$846.12 since Bev has continued selling water, etc. at City Hall. The Mayor and Board of Aldermen have to annually authorize expenditures of revolving funds. For FY 2010, Bev will submit an estimate of expenditures of this account to the Chief Financial Officer. **A motion to accept the Treasurer's Report passed.**

PROGRAMS

FCD Seminars

- Donna Gordon reported that they are reformatting the program and are not able to do it in March and April, but it will be scheduled for May.
- Chris Fortunato suggested creating a legal form if needed.
- New TV is receptive to taping. We'd need to be sure FCD doesn't mind.

Other

- Bev said her Youth Interagency Task Force meeting will be March 11, anyone is invited.
- Youth Foundation - Matt Green is looking for students to help put a calendar together for events of where water, etc. can be sold.
- Chris expressed his idea of having monthly events and getting an intern to help make it happen. A discussion followed whereby it was suggested that Chris could volunteer, and students could participate in April and May. Donna suggested that tapping into Leadership Diversity has potential. Matt Green indicated that he has a contact at Boston College and Marianne stated that this is the time for interns.

March Madness

- Joe DeVito reviewed March Madness to date.
- Bev reviewed the release form, Allison reviewed the registration form and suggested that Stephanie revise the form to include the team name and all players.
- A packet will be provided and the team will cover registration and five release forms.

- A discussion followed regarding adding a deadline.
- It was discussed whether or not to have prizes; it was concluded that the funds aren't available for prizes. However, perhaps providing a prize for the winning team is an option. Prize ideas were discussed such as pizza and gift certificates. Terry generously offered to donate dinners for the winners at Cabot's.
- Chris will call his contact tomorrow to see if he can get tickets from the Celtics. If only two tickets are available, then a raffle for all participants may be an option.
- Rules were discussed. The captain of a team can referee.
- There was discussion about advertising, and selling items such as water bottles, etc.
- Stephanie will be the point person at the tournament and visit the field beforehand.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, April 1 at 7:00pm in the City Hall cafeteria.

Respectfully submitted by Beverly Droz