

**Windsor Youth Commission
7:00 p.m.**

Wednesday September 14, 2016

Board of Education Meeting Room – L.P. Wilson
DRAFT Minutes

Attendees: Pamela Cook, Erin Hall, Rich Henderson, Sarah Maffiolini, Andrea Barton Reeves, Steven Carvalho, Robert Gange.

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1. Call to Order – 7:05 p.m.
2. Chairperson's remarks – no report.

Rich introduced the new Youth Services Coordinator, Sarah Maffiolini.

3. Meeting Minutes – not distributed to Commission – tabled until next meeting
4. Updates on Commission Members and Vacancies – Rich Henderson reported there are 2 vacancies, 1 alternate vacancy, and 1 youth representative vacancy.
5. CASAC Report – Sarah said the FY15 final report was submitted. The FY16 application is due December 1, 2016. She still working on how to spend the funds.
6. Public Input – none.
7. Art Therapy Workshop Discussion – Sarah reported that there will be an art therapy workshop in collaboration with Youth Services, Social Services, Police Department, and the Office and Family and Community Partnership (see attached flyer).
8. New Business – Andrea pointed out the opioid addiction and information or support system for youth and families impacted. Item will be tabled to next meeting when police are in attendance.
9. Standing Committee Reports
 - a. Police Department – no report
 - b. Recreation Services – see attached report.
 - c. Windsor Schools - Steve reported new hires; assistant superintendent of instruction and high school principal. There are 75 new students enrolled in the district this school year. The new Office of Community and Family Partnership was formed.
 - d. Board of Education – no report
 - e. Library Services – see attached report.
 - f. Youth Services – see attached report.
 - g. Youth Liaison – no report
7. Round Table
10. Adjournment – 8:13pm.

Minutes created by Sarah Maffiolini

Recreation and Leisure Services Youth Commission Monthly Report

September 2016

Staff / Programs:

- Summer Fun Camp and Summer School merged into one program this r Summer Fun Camp Academy. All Summer Fun Campers received 45 mins of STEAM enrichment education programing 4 days a week. Summer Academy Campers received STEAM enrichment and an additional 1.5 hour of Math and Reading taught by certified teachers.
- The summer 2016 sport camps was in high demand. We had over 340 participants register for youth sport camps. Youth had a wide variety of sport camps to choose from; tennis, basketball, karate, girls lacrosse, baseball, and soccer are just a few camps participants had to choose from. Including our new Ba Bamm summer basketball league that had 30 participants. League went very well with 4 teams that played 6 games plus playoffs.
- More than 150 individuals enjoyed the movie in the parks which included two Disney favorites of Alvin and the Chipmunks Road Trip and Zootopia
- Scholarships were provided to 42 families totaling \$17,120 for children and youth participating in summer programs. Programs included Summer Fun Playground, sport camps, nature programs, youth service bureau programs and pool passes.
- Over 800 participants enjoyed our aquatic program this summer. Which is consistent from last year. Lessons included parent/tot lessons all the way to lifeguard readiness you. New this year was adult lessons that where full with 4 participants.
- S.T.E.P summer campers worked along side the Summer Fun Camp Staff to observe, job train learn the skills necessary to become successful camp counselors for 4 hours every week during camp.
- The Friends of Northwest Park present the 34th Annual Northwest Park Country Fair on Saturday, September 17 from 10:00 AM -4:00PM at 145 Lang Road in Windsor. Come to Northwest Park for one of Windsor's most wonderful traditions! Come enjoy some good old fashioned fun for the entire family including entertainment, hay rides, pony rides and games galore.
- Northwest Park has currently three positions open (Environmental Educator & Animal Care Specialist). Two part-time and one Full-time position (Park Manager)

Division Performance Goals & Objectives	Next Step

Performance Measures & Indicators:

Upcoming Youth Commission Action Request: To continue to supporting all Windsor recreation programs

Youth Commission
Library Services Report
September 7, 2016

Summer 2016 statistics:

- Summer reading program ran from June 18 – August 13 – we had a record number of signups and a huge increase in the foot traffic into the building all summer
- Overall it was a great success for all ages and departments
- 90 teens signed up for the program at the main library
- In June, July, and August we had 30 programs for teens with 528 in attendance
- Pokemon Go was HUGE at the library in July and August – we saw a lot more teens out in the community than usual both in the library and on the Town Green – easy way for us to establish relationships with the teens and to keep them doing something fun and positive over the summer
- We had 18 teen volunteers throughout the summer who helped with teen projects, the makerspace, and Kidspace programs. They worked a total of 265 hours. In August we took some of them to Flight Trampoline Park in New Britain as a thank you and it was a lot of fun. Definitely a great way to make the teens feel appreciated for all of their hard work!

Library Programs for Teens for the Fall:

- Programming is very light in September as the teens are busy with back to school – only two Teen Tuesdays on Sept 20 and 27
- Library Makerspace is having its grand opening on Monday, Sept 26 from 4 -8 pm
- In October there will be Teen Tuesdays plus a canvas Paint Nite on Monday, Oct. 3
- There will be many more programs coming up in November and December

General Library:

- Currently planning programs for January – April 2017 – Youth Commission needs to decide soon if we are doing the Career Fair again and when
- Summer hours end after Labor Day so our weekends will go back to 10 – 5 on Saturday and 3 -5 on Sunday

Youth Services Bureau Youth Commission Monthly Report

September 2016

Staff / Programs:

- **Staff:**

- Patrick Silver is back working for YSB.
- Looking for new hire to run Girl's Circle and Teen Zone Programs starting in October.
- University of Hartford intern/volunteer will begin September 9 – December 8.
- Recreation and YSB have met about collaborating on the Night 1001 Pumpkins Event and incorporating Red Ribbon Week activities.

- **Performance Excellence:**

- Summer programs completed; Adventure Bound average 20 youth/week, LIT average 7 youth/week, STEP program 12 youth/week.
- Patrick and Sarah have met with the Sage Park vice principal about new YSB programs and how to effectively promote programs to get youth to sign up. We were invited to all three middle school open houses and concerts during the school year to have a table with information for parents. School counselors will refer students to YSB programs.
- The YSB Fall brochure was finalized and over 500 copies were distributed to the high school, middle school, town hall, 330 Windsor Ave, and LP Wilson.
- Patrick was able to pass out over 200 applications for the YLT program during the lunch waves at the high school. We have made a great connection with one of the vice principals who is very happy to help promote and distribute YSB materials.
- The Youth Leadership Team, formally Leaders in Training, program will begin on September 19. The first two weeks of program are called "Setting up for Success" that will build on trust, effective communication, teambuilding, getting to know one another strengths and weaknesses, and foster community spirit to prepare them for their first event on October 21, 1001 Pumpkins.
- Sarah is meeting with high school counselors and SRO about Broken Promises, the underage drinking and drinking prevention program.
- Collaborating with Social Services, Police Department, and Office of Family and Community Partnership on Pancakes and Colored Pencils Program, and art therapy program.

Division Performance Goals & Objectives	Next Step
Kicks off YLT Program	Promoting, interviewing, meet and greet.
Community Event – October 25 – Christmas Cards for Home Town Troops	Complete event organization and marketing. Complete set-up plan.
Community event – October 21– Night of 1001 Pumpkins. Scarecrow contest added this year.	Complete event organization and marketing. Complete set-up plan.
Community event – October 22 – Pancakes and Colored Pencils	Complete event organization and marketing. Complete set-up plan.

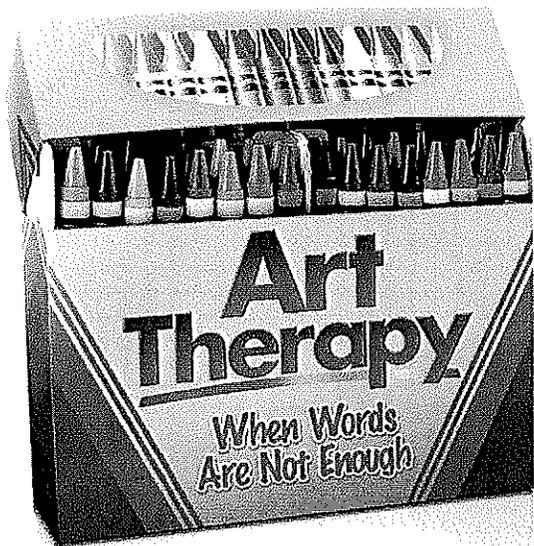
Upcoming Youth Commission Action Request:

Volunteers for Night of 1001 Pumpkins. People may help with the welcome/admission desk; Red Ribbon Week activities to promote a substance free lifestyle.



The Town of Windsor Social Services, Youth Commission, Police Department and Windsor Public Schools Office of Family & Community Partnership Presents

Pancakes and Colored Pencils



Does your child have difficulty expressing his/her inner feelings?

Studies have shown that art therapy helps develop problem-solving skills and increases the ability to identify and express both positive and negative feelings.

When: Saturday, October 22nd, 2016

What: Pancake Breakfast catered by Dom's Broad Street Eatery and experience art therapy first hand.

Time: Breakfast will be served at 8:30am. The program will begin at 9:00am and end at 10:15am.

Where: LP Wilson Community Center, 599 Matianuck Ave.

Register: By phone by calling Recreation Office 860-285-1990 or in person at LP Wilson Community Center.

Space is limited so register early. This program is free!

JoAnne Bauer, PhD art therapist will explain the uses of art therapy and will walk your child through a project on trust. Their finished masterpiece will be shared with others and taken home.