

BARNSTABLE YOUTH COMMISSION MINUTES

February 28, 2013

Commission Members Present: Elizabeth Ells, Colleen Morin, Sam Spillane, Chris Bartley, Sally-Ann Imes, Colleen Kadar, and Patti Machado

The meeting was called to order at 2:15 pm and introductions were made.

Colleen Morin motioned to accept the minutes of the February 14th meeting and Sam Spillane seconded, all in favor.

Discussion took place regarding the Barnstable Now Youth TV Programs with Principal Clark and Sam Spillane, as well as Olivia Fone and Elizabeth Ells, Cradle to Crayons. Sam Spillane motioned to accept the Barnstable Now Youth TV Programs and Colleen Morin seconded, all in favor.

Elizabeth Ells, Chris Bartley, and Colleen Morin plan on attending the Youth Summit at Cape Cod Community College, Friday, March 15. They will be picked up in the red Recreation van at 7:15 am in front of the high school. Breakfast and lunch will be served at the Summit.

Chris Bartley discussed his meeting with Principal Clark regarding contact with the students. Mr. Clark was very supportive and liked the idea of posting information in the glass cases. Chris will also stay in contact with all the students through the Principal's Leadership Team meeting. Mr. Clark also recommends that the Barnstable Youth Commission get involved in the various Civic Associations. The Youth Commissioners should introduce themselves and ask to be put on agendas. The Barnstable handbook lists all the dates of the Civic Association meetings. Chris will bring the book to the next meeting.

Family Fun Night is being held tomorrow night, March 1st at the Hyannis Youth & Community Center. Sally-Ann Imes reported that 16 agencies will be in attendance and the Youth Commission should ask each agency if they can be interviewed. Patti Machado stated that all will have an opportunity to do interviews at Family Fun Night and Sally-Ann Imes will put together some interview questions. Elizabeth has a list of various people from the Town that will be interviewed. Patti Machado and Sally-Ann Imes sent out flyers to all schools, including pre-schools and Sturgis. Announcements have also been made on Channel 18 for the last three weeks.

Elizabeth Ells handed out rewritten copies of the "Official" Barnstable Youth Commissioners Expectations. Patti Machado and Colleen Kadar both commented that it was a very nice job. Discussion followed regarding specific changes. Chris Bartley asked if it would be possible to have someone else take a look at it from the Town. Colleen Morin motioned to accept, Sam Spillane seconded, all in favor.

Elizabeth Ells stated that someone mentioned they heard the YES Program meeting announced and thanked Chris Bartley for doing a good job.

The next YES meeting is scheduled for March 7th. Raquel Rodrigues who is a Counselor of Multicultural Admissions at CCCC will be the guest speaker. Sally-Ann Imes asked if everyone could tell or bring someone to the meeting on March 7th.

NEW BUSINESS:

Barnstable Youth Commission shirts were handed out. Everyone plans on wearing the shirts to school tomorrow, as well as at Family Fun Night. There was further discussion regarding the need for help in setting up at Family Fun Night.

Chris Bartley recommended a moment of silence for Anthony Beverly. Chris and Colleen Kadar would like to see Anthony's parents/family presented with his shirt at Town Council meeting. Sally-Ann Imes stated that funds were being put together for his family.

Elizabeth Ells and Colleen Morin started collecting donations for Anthony's family at school during lunch. Colleen Kadar will send an email to teachers notifying them that students have initiated this. If people know that the BYC in partnership with all the students will be taking part, more people may be willing to donate. A sign up sheet was available if any other students would like to help with collecting donations during their lunch. Chris Bartley stated that there have been many nice comments about Anthony becoming a leader and not a follower. Elizabeth Ells would like to know if BYC would fund a plaque on the Remembrance Wall. Colleen Morin would like to make a donation poster for the cafeteria. Chris Bartley suggested setting up luminaries on each side of the main lobby going into the cafeteria that students could walk through in remembrance of Ms. Mitchell and Anthony Beverly. They would have to get permission from the Main Office. Colleen Kadar agreed that it would be a nice idea for students to set up a memory wall/display.

Colleen Morin motioned to adjourn, Chris Bartley seconded. The meeting adjourned at 3:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Kim Slezak, Recreation Division.