

TOWN OF BARNSTABLE

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BARNSTABLE YOUTH COMMISSION

October 28, 2015 Minutes

A quorum being duly present, **Chairman Brendan Clark** called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Hyannis Youth and Community Center, 141 Bassett Lane, Hyannis, MA 02601.

Present: Brendan W. Clark (Chairman), Jen Cullum (Town Council Liaison), Carrie Osborn, Lily Sethares, Sean Smith, Caleb Sonnabend, Jeanne Challies (Police Officer), Michael Hersey (Adult Advisor), Matthew Hersey, Alliana DeBarros, Patti Machado (Leisure Services Director), and Lianna Mitchell

Absent: Jen Ellis (Police Officer), Bobbi Moritz (Barnstable County Resource Officer), Kathleen Murtaugh, George Noonan (Program Coordinator), James Sturgis (Police Officer), Molly Autery, Allison Wolfe, Emma Mannal, and Lynne Poyant (Director of Community Services)

Carrie made a motion to accept the minutes of October 14, 2015; **Caleb** seconded it. All in favor. Motion carried.

Public Comment: **Debbie Stetson, Barnstable Patriot** in attendance.

Old Business:

A. Youth Summit Thank You Notes: Lianna reported she is almost finished.

B. Commission Application Process Updates: The following have been approved: **Caleb, Alison, Sean and Lily. Reappointed: Matt Hersey.**

C. Youth Summit Updates: The Cape Codder came back with an estimate of \$25,000 - \$30,000 for the cost of the Summit. \$16,000 of that would be for food. Total students attending are 359. Commission will research other venues for a lower cost and also prepare a presentation packet to pursue a grant through the Lorusso Foundation. **Jenn** asked for an itemized breakdown of the costs. Town Council is not able to change their meeting date to accommodate the date originally scheduled for the Summit (March 3rd). New date is now March 31st ? April 1, 2016.

D. Youth Summit Breakout Groups – Brendan will send out a separate e-mail listing commissioners assigned to each group.

New Business:

A. Liaison Positions/Interested Commissioners: Brendan e-mailed a list of the various civic organizations. Boards and Committees within the Town can be found on the Town's website. Recreation and Human Services is looking for youth representation.

B. Youth Commission Meeting Schedule Change: Next meeting is scheduled for November 19, 2015 from 5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. If Patti can coordinate for the Lt. Governor, who happens to be in Town that day, to attend the November meeting, the time will change from 2:00 – 3:00 p.m. instead. There will be no workshops held prior to this meeting.

C. MLK Jr. Day AmeriCorps Grant: Bobbi Moritz will be attending the November 19th meeting to elaborate on this grant.

D. Self-Injury/Suicidal Issues in Teens: Review the handout. If you are interested in attending, please let Brendan know and transportation will be made available. **Patti** encourages your involvement in these issues.

E. Discussion on Teen Dating Abuse: **Carrie** brought forth this topic for discussion and awareness. She would like to see a program developed for those that fall under the emotional, verbal and/or physical abuse/control of their partner. **Patti** will reach out to Independence House's teen outreach program.

F. MASC/MASS Annual Joint Conference: Most have expressed an interest in attending. Panel discussion on Saturday when the Youth can address their concerns and questions to the conference.

G. Commission/Council on Aging Collaboration: The Council on Aging is seeking out Youth Commissioners and has extended an invite to the meeting on November 16th from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. – Intergenerational Training Day. If you are interested in attending, contact Brendan. Transportation will be available.

Liaison Reports:

A. October 2015 Town Council Update: (See attached §241-39A) **Sean** made a motion to “increase the current 9 voting members to 13 voting numbers” with the two adult non-voting members remaining as is. **Carrie** seconded. All in favor. Motion passed. **Jen** will report this change to Ruth Weil before presenting it to Town Council.

Next meeting – November 19, 2015, 5:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Lianna made a motion to adjourn, seconded by **Carrie Osborn**. All in favor.
Meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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