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CJH MUNICIPAL CENTER

PRO-ACCESS TEEN CENTER

1 SCHOOL STREET

January 17, 2012

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PRESENT:

Chairman, Richard Merritt, Members: Lisa Bergh, Kristin Nauheimer, Kate Shea, and Rob Deletis.

Also present: Hilda Delucia, Director Pro-Access Teen Center, and Assistant Director Claudia Fortunato, and Student Advisory member Brooke Ferraro

Absent: Bob Korin, Jane Kraver, and Chris Phelps.

Chairman Rich Merritt called the meeting to order at 6:52 PM.

ANNOUNCEMENT: Chairman Merritt welcomed Rob Deletis as the newly sworn member replacing Devin Pedone. It has yet to be determined if Rob will be re-appointed by the Board of Selectmen. His term has expired as has Lisa's, Kate's, and Jane Kraver's. Rob suggested a possible field trip for up to 20 teens. Through his profession, he is aware of tours given at certain prison facilities, such as Green Haven in Stormville, NY. Wednesdays from 9AM-3PM. This will be discussed by the Student Advisory board to get their feedback.

CORRESPONDENCE: Hilda mentioned the only correspondence being the People's magazine.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Lisa Bergh made a motion to amend the minutes of 12-15-2011 to reflect that Chris Phelps was also invited to remain during Executive Session. Motion was seconded by Rich Merritt. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved. Kristin made a motion to accept the minutes of 12-15-11 as amended, motion was seconded by Rob Deletis. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

DIRECTORS REPORT: Hilda presented the Directors Report (see attached).

Hilda noted that membership is up with the 7th and 8th grade she wants to see more High School student members.

In regards to the discussion from the previous meeting of needing more participation in events by the Student Advisory Members, Hilda suggests that in order to earn community service hours, they must attend one event per month.

Hilda reports having a woman help her with a database for the Teen Center in order to track participation; this will be a helpful tool.

A suggestion of using survey monkey to determine why numbers are low was made.

Discussion took place regarding special needs participants, Kristin has a registration form that she utilizes in her position at work, and she will share with the commission.

A Zumba class was discussed, ceramics, and Laura McCormick also would like to teach an art class.

Possible fundraisers were discussed.

Hilda asked that we all "like" Bethel Pro Access Teens on Facebook.

Hilda noted that breaking up the age groups for Student Advisory has been highly successful.

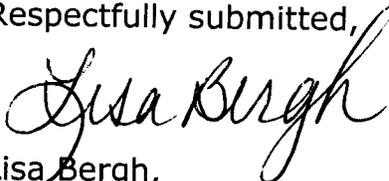
NEW BUSINESS: Chairman Merritt noted that the next meeting will be held on Monday, February 20, 2012.

ADJOURN:

Kristin Nauheimer made a motion to adjourn; the motion was seconded by Kate Shea. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Lisa Bergh,
Recording Secretary

December 15, 2011- January 16, 2012
PRO ACCESS ACTIVITY REPORT

	Activity	Date	Attendees	Comments
1	Pro Access – Wed. (Smoothies)	Dec. 15	9	
2	7 th & 8 th Grade Christmas Party	Dec. 16	20	Includes 2 BHS volunteers
3	Famous Pizza	Dec. 19	6	
4	Cookie Making	Dec. 21	6	
5	Pro Access – Thurs.	Dec. 22	9	
6	Pro Access – Wed.	Jan. 4	3	
7	Pro Access – Thurs.	Jan. 5	9	
8	Pro Access – Fri. Night	Jan. 6	7	
9	Open Gym	Jan. 6	29	
10	Student Advisory Group	Jan.9	19	9 – middle school 10 – high schoolers
11	Sycamores	Jan. 10	6	
12	Pro Access – Wed.	Jan. 11	4	
13	7 th & 8 th Grade Girls Sleepover	Jan. 13	13	
14	Lunch, Smooties & Tournaments (Martin Luther King Day)	Jan. 16	13	Includes 1 BHS volunteer
Total Participants served in Nov. 2011/Dec. 2011			153	Avg. of 14 participants per program
During this same period, mid-Dec. 2010 to mid-Dec. 2011, 157 participants were served with 9 programs for an average of 17 participants per program.				

Teen Center Director Report

Prepared by: Hilda Maria DeLucia, Bethel Teen Center Director

January 16, 2012

Membership Update: Paid Renewals and New Memberships since July 2011

Grade	New Paid Members	Renewal Members	Total	Last month
7	21	8	29	26
8	13	12	25	24
Freshman	0	9	9	9
Sophomore	1	10	11	11
Juniors	2	34	36	34
Seniors	2	8	10	9
Total	35	78	120	113

a. Program Update and Attendance (see report below)

- a. Homework Helper – need to advertise
- b. Special Needs Program
- c. Zumba – need instructor
- d. American Idol
- e. Lockout – May 4
- f. Need to find a \$5 Manicure place
- g. Suggested purchases: Just Dance 3, Xbox 360
- h. Permission for M rated games
- i. Ceramics Class, Art Class, Exercise Program

II. Fundraisers

- a. Comedy Night at Stony Hill Inn \$15/person after \$1,000 profit – Tony Liberate
<http://www.myspace.com/tonyliberati>
- b. Whaler's Game in January
- c. Simply Tasteful Party
- d. Mr. Morrotta For the Day!
- e. Food Eating Contest
- f. Website Advertising – Winner for the Day, Facebook likes