

# **YOUTH COMMISSION**

**CJH MUNICIPAL CENTER**

**PRO-ACCESS TEEN CENTER**

**1 SCHOOL STREET**

**May 21, 2012**

**6:45 PM**

**REGULAR MEETING**

**MINUTES**

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TOWN OF BETHEL  
TOWN CLERK

**PRESENT:**

Chairman, Richard Merritt, Members: Lisa Bergh, Kristin Nauheimer, Nicole Struth,

Also present: Hilda Delucia, Director Pro-Access Teen Center, and Assistant Director Claudia Fortunato, and Rob Deletis.

Absent: Bob Korin, Jane Kraver, Kate Shea, Ex-Officio Teen Member Chris Phelps, and Student Advisory member Brooke Ferraro.

Chairman Rich Merritt called the meeting to order at 6:50 PM.

**ANNOUNCEMENT:** None

**CORRESPONDENCE:** None

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Kristin Nauheimer made a motion to accept the minutes of April 30, 2012. Motion was seconded by Nicole Struth. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

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

Among the items discussed was a trip to see the Westerners in June or July, possibly hosting another Battle of the Bands, Promotion of Balloon-a-Grad, which currently has 12 orders. Claudia mentioned having to try and find a helium tank. The goal for the orders is at least 50. To get the word out, Hilda mentioned that the Student Advisory Members will be at school selling on June 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>. June 15<sup>th</sup> the Pro-Access Teen Center will be hosting a 1 year anniversary open house. Senator Michael McLachlan will be delivering

a proclamation and presenting the Teen Center with a flag that will have been flown over the State Capital.

We will be inviting State Rep. Dan Carter, and State Senator, Toni Boucher, along with the First Selectman, and Selectmen.

The Firecracker Road Race held on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July in downtown Bethel will be accepting signups for the walk which will take place at the same time as the road race. A portion of the proceeds for the walker signups will be given to Pro-Access Teens, each member of the Youth Commission has been asked to sell 5 registrations.

Hilda remarked on the need for a van for transportation. She has asked the Youth Commission members to look at ways to obtain a donation.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Chairman Merritt inquired whether or not a permission slip had been developed for social media sites and internet usage. Hilda confirmed that this has been taken care of.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Rob Deletis spoke of the Prison Trip scheduled for July 11, 2012. The "YAP" Youth Assistance Program is offered at Green Haven Correctional Facility from 8:30 AM until 2:30 PM. 20 kids and 5 chaperones can be accommodated.

Hilda asked for assistance from Youth Commission members to deliver the balloon-a-grads on June 14<sup>th</sup>.

The next regular meeting of the Youth Commission will be held on June 18, 2012

**ADJOURN:**

Nicole Struth made a motion to adjourn; the motion was seconded by Kristen Nauheimer. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM

Respectfully submitted,



Lisa Bergh,  
Recording Secretary

April 28, 2012 – May 17, 2012  
PRO ACCESS ACTIVITY REPORT

	Activity	Date	Attendees	Comments
1	Girls Program	April 18	3	
2	Lunch, Tournaments and Peachwave	April 19	9	
3	Movie Night	April 20	5	
4	Famous Pizza	April 24	8	
5	Scavenger Hunt	April 25	7	
6	Relay for Life Meeting	April 25	13	
7	Pro Access – Thursday	April 26	13	
8	Pro Access – Friday Night	April 27	10	
9	Open Gym	April 27	18	Last open gym
10	Pro Access –Wed.	May 2	11	
11	ProAccess – Thurs.	May 3	13	
12	Manhunt – Friday Night	May4	15	
13	Famous Pizza	May 7	6	
14	Pro Access – Wed.	May 8	9	
15	Student Advisory	May 8	10	5 - BMS 5 - BHS
16	Pro Access – Thurs.	May 10	17	
17	Flashlight Scavenger Hunt	May 11	7	
18	Relay for Life Meeting	May 15	10	15 kids on the team 3 chaperones plus CF and HD
19	Pro Access – Wed.	May 16	5	
20	Pro Access – Thurs.	May 17	11	
Total Participants served in April 2012/May 2012			200	Avg. of 10 participants per program
During this same period, mid-April. 2011 to mid-May 2011, 79 participants were served with 9 programs for an average of 8 participants per program.				

**Pro Access Usage by other groups:**

Month	Program	Adults	Students
April 18 – May 16 Wednesdays from 10 – 12:15	Transition Students	3 adults 1 times 2 adults 2 times 1adult 1 time	3 students 4 times
April 23 to May 17 Daily 10:00 to 2:00	Tutoring	Used 19 days	Average of 2 students per day

**Membership Update: Paid Renewals and New Memberships since July 2011**

Grade	New Paid Members	Renewal Members	Total	Last month
7	28	8	37	36
8	17	14	30	29
Freshman	3	11	14	14
Sophomore	1	14	15	15
Juniors	4	39	43	43
Seniors	2	10	12	12
Total	41	85	151	149

II. Program Update and Attendance (see report below)

III. Program Discussion

- i. Westerners – will schedule for June or July
- ii. Art Class
- iii. Volleyball
- iv. Summer Enrichment program?
- v. Battle of the Bands

IV. Fundraisers (June Mailing)

- i. Firecracker Road Race
- ii. Balloon-A-Grad

V. Moms of Bethel Program – June 9

VI. Relay for Life – June 9

VII. One Year Celebration – June 15