

YOUTH COMMISSION

CJH MUNICIPAL CENTER

PRO-ACCESS TEEN CENTER

1 SCHOOL STREET

November 19, 2012

6:45 PM

REGULAR MEETING

MINUTES

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TOWN OF BETHEL
TOWN CLERK

PRESENT:

Chairman, Richard Merritt, Vice Chair, Bob Korin, Members: Lisa Bergh, Kristin Nauheimer, Student Advisory member Brooke Ferraro.

Also present: Pro-Access Director, Hilda Delucia, Assistant Director Claudia Fortunato, Rob Delitis, and Chris Jarvis.

Absent: Nicole Struth, Jane Kraver and Kate Shea.

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

ANNOUNCEMENT: None

CORRESPONDENCE: A letter from the Town Clerk reminding the Commission to set the meeting schedule for 2013.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Kristin Nauheimer made a motion to accept the minutes of October 15, 2012. Motion was seconded by Robert Korin. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved. Lisa Bergh abstained.

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

Hilda reported an increase in membership. Discussion took place regarding open gym and several parents' recommendation to suspend fees for that activity to increase participation. The commission agreed to leave the fee structure in place. Hilda reported that the last two student advisory committee meetings were well attended. Souper

Soup day was a success, 32 people attended, with 10 student volunteers.

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, October 30, 31st and November 1st the teen center was open to accommodate the people in town without power, due to hurricane Sandy. Claudia deserved a huge pat on the back for her work in running the center during this time. A professional writer has offered to host a class for students working on their college essays. She has been a writer for soap operas and now tutors. She will help those needing assistance either with getting started, proofing or critiquing their work. This will be held on November 27, 2012 from 7-9 PM. A total number of students will be 4. RSVP is required this will allow a half hour per student.

An idea came about to sell coffee, snacks etc, on Saturday mornings during basketball games and activities. The use of the Keurig coffee machine that was donated to the center will be used. Hilda will be looking for a lemonade type stand to be created. The hours of operation to be determined but currently we are thinking of 8AM-12PM or 1 PM.

A "lock-in" is being considered, with glow in the dark volley ball as well as a 1AM manhunt, with movies, etc. date to be decided
Hilda has asked if Brooke Ferraro would teach a knitting class. Kitty Grant asked if Hilda would be a guest on her show. Christmas Movies to be shown. These are just a few of the upcoming activities and ideas circulating.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: Hilda introduced Chris Jarvis, a graduate student at WestConn earning a degree in Special Education as a new employee of Inspired Learning/Pro-Access who will be working on Wednesdays from 2:30PM-6PM supervising the special needs students. This will be starting on December 5th. Eileen Earle has agreed to pitch in and pay for 2 out of the 4 weeks for his salary.

Lisa Bergh made a motion to approve the 2013 meeting schedule as the Second Tuesday of every month at 6:45 PM to be held in the Pro-Access Teen Center. The motion was seconded by Kristin Nauheimer. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

Lisa Plumb, Senior Center Director is looking for students to perform their service hours by assisting needy seniors with projects around

their homes, and also students to teach computer to some of the seniors.

PUBLIC INPUT: Hilda wanted to give a big thank you to Rob Delitis for attending all of the events and helping to contact people needed for certain activities.

The next regular meeting of the Youth Commission will be held on December 17th.

ADJOURN:

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM

Respectfully submitted,


Lisa Bergh,
Recording Secretary

Youth Commission
2013-2014 Meetings
Schedule

Meetings at
Pro-Access Teen Center
CJH Municipal Center
1 School Street
Bethel, Ct. 06801
203-778-7522
Bethelproaccess.org



1/21/2013	3rd Monday	6:45PM
2/12/2013	2nd Tuesday	6:45PM
3/12/2013	2nd Tuesday	6:45PM
4/9/2013	2nd Tuesday	6:45PM
5/14/2013	2nd Tuesday	6:45PM
6/11/2013	2nd Tuesday	6:45PM
7/9/2013	2nd Tuesday	6:45PM
8/13/2013	2nd Tuesday	6:45PM
9/10/2013	2nd Tuesday	6:45PM
10/8/2013	2nd Tuesday	6:45PM
11/12/2013	2nd Tuesday	6:45PM
12/10/2013	2nd Tuesday	6:45PM
1/14/2014	2nd Tuesday	6:45PM

October 11, 2012 – November 18, 2012

PRO ACCESS ACTIVITY REPORT

	Activity	Date	Attendees	Comments
1.	Student Advisory Meeting	Oct. 16	12	
2.	Pro Access – Wednesday	Oct. 17	9	
3.	Pro Access – Thursday	Oct. 18	6	
4.	Friday Night Halloween Party	Oct. 19	21	
5.	Famous Pizza	Oct. 23	4	
6.	Pro Access – Wed.	Oct. 24	7	
7.	Pro Access – Thursday	Oct. 25	8	
8.	Friday Night Sundaes on Friday	Oct. 26	6	
9.	Open Gym	Oct. 26	12	
10.	Lake Compounce	Oct. 27	20	
11.	Pro Access Opened – Friday	Nov. 2	9	Opened from 3PM – 9PM
12.	Pro Access Opened	Nov. 8	3	
13.	Student Advisory Meeting	Nov. 9	7	
14.	Open Gym	Nov. 9	7	
15.	\$5Manicures	Nov. 13	1	
16.	Souper Soup Day Meeting	Nov. 14	42	10 Volunteers, 32 attendees
17.	Pro Access –Thursday.	Nov. 15	7	
18.	Turkey Party	Nov. 16	18	16 members, 2 senior vol.
19.	Open Gym	Nov. 16	17	
Total participants served Sept/Oct. 2012			216	Average of 11 participants per program

During this same period, mid-Oct. 2011 to mid-Nov. 2012, 127 participants were served with 16 programs for an average of 9 participants per program.

Pro Access Usage by other groups:

Month	Program	Adults	Students
Nov.2012	Transition Students	Used 2 days	1 student per day with 1 job coach
October 2012	Tutoring	Used 17 days	Average of 2 students per day
Nov. 2012 (till Nov. 16)	Tutoring	Used 9 days	Average of 3 students per day

1.	Storm Sandy - Tuesday	Oct. 30	27	Opened from 12 – 6:30
2.	Storm Sandy – Wednesday	Oct. 31	51	Opened from 11:30 – 9PM
3.	Storm Sandy – Thursday	Nov. 1	53	Opened from 11 – 9PM
Total Served			131	

I. Membership Update:

Grade	Nov. 2012		Total	Oct. 2012 TOTALS	Nov. 2011		Total
	New Paid Members	Renewal Members			New Paid Members	Renewal Members	
7	15	17	15	13	17	8	25
8	4	17	21	16	12	12	24
Freshman	4	16	20	16	0	6	6
Sophomore	1	0	1	1	1	10	11
Juniors	1	5	6	3	2	22	24
Seniors	0	12	12	5	2	6	8
Total	25	50	75	54	34	64	98

I. Program Update and Attendance (see report below)

- II. Program Discussion
- a. College Writing Program
 - b. Senior Center Holiday Fair
 - c. Lockout/Lockin

- III. Upcoming Events
- a. Senior Center Collaboration
 - b. Lake Compounce

- IV. Fundraisers
- a. Souper Soup Day
 - b. Pro Access Coffee And...Shop!

V. Special Needs Program

VI. Stove

- VII. Donations
- a. Turkeys
 - b. Ping Pong Table
 - c. Moving the ping pong table