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Wethersfield Youth Advisory Board
Meeting held: September 5, 2007

Name	Present	Absent	Excused Absence
Michael Cain	X		
Steve Cook/Jim Collin			X
Donna Forrest	X		
Olivia Fortunato	X		
Mary Ellen Gregorio	X		
Debra Hammer	X		
Melissa Hoon	X		
Ryan Jordan	X		
Steve Kirsche			X
Nan Lamm		X	
Susan Miller	X		
Ryan Peluso	X		
Barbara J. Ruhe			X
Nancy Stilwell	X		
Kathy St. Onge	X		
Kaitin Taylor	X		

The minutes began at 7:05 pm on Thursday, September 6th, 2007.

DSYS Update:

Staff: Rowland Chinatti resigned and was replaced by Matt Waugh for Youth Counselor.

Request: DSYS requested permission to buy a Casio Superslim projector for \$1000 out of the "Salter Fund"; request granted.

Update: Summer youth employment program, for at-risk youth to expose them to job experience and help plan for college, receives top marks.

Tri-town Leadership Forum: Representatives from Newington, Wethersfield, Rocky Hill met to talk about unhealthy rivalry and vandalism. Banquet at Wethersfield Community Center on Thursday September 27. Common night proposed by Leadership Forum to unite tri-town youth: movie, dance, bowling...

Grant submitted for community conversations; \$2000.

YAB Update:

Youth and Government: Natalie Kotkin, the former representative for Youth and Government, went to college. YAB wishes to get students on boards as non voting members. Ryan Peluso to speak with superintendent Kagan.

Police Youth Report: Allison Sullivan on maternity leave. It is uncertain at this time whether or not she will return to YAB. We are awaiting the police department to appoint a new representative.

Prom Dresses: Planned for Weds. Feb. 6th, 2008 in the WHS lecture Hall from 2 pm into evening. Dress collections in October; possible raffle for donations- manicure/pedicure to a local business (Olivia Fortunato will look into this). Avon wants to co-sponsor next prom sale. Ryan Jordan to submit blurb to Wethersfield Life, Wethersfield Post and the school announcements to advertise for donations. Name needs to be changed: "The Prom Shop" "Cinderella Project"

Rock the Library: to be discussed in October minutes.

Cornfest: YAB not participating this year due to increase in participation fee.

Craft Fair: If we want to do a "check your pitching speed booth" we need a baseball pitching speed tracker...\$2 for 3 throws? Look into borrowing radar gun from sports team, police dept. or asking for a donation from Dick's in return for advertising? To be held Saturday, October 6th.

Other Business: Laura Morris, from Central CT Health District, had contacted YAB as she wanted to present some information to YAB. Ryan Jordan left her a message and is awaiting a return call.

Financial Report: approximately \$1500

Meeting adjourned at 8:03 pm.