

NORTHVILLE YOUTH ASSISTANCE COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Regular Meeting
February 13, 2018

Present Director Amy Prevo, Michele Fecht, Mindy Herrmann, Amy Knoth, Suzanne Lynn, Chuck Murdock, Marilyn Price, Libby Smith

Absent Nadine Harris

Meeting Called to Order

The meeting was called to order at 8:03 by Chair Chuck Murdock

Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the January 9, 2018 were reviewed. The document will be amended to reflect the following correction: Mindy Herrmann (not Michele Fecht) reminded Commission members about recommending a replacement for outgoing Commissioner member Lauren Romeo (under New Business). The minutes will be filed as corrected

Program Report

Amy explained that she has been working on surveys as part of a more thorough evaluation of NYA's programs and services. She is hoping that this will be completed by April.

In presenting the January statistics, there was a great deal of discussion devoted to the subject of the increased cases and workload of the social workers. Director Amy Prevo is planning to meet with the new Police Liaison Officer at the high school to get a better understanding of the increased number of referrals. Right now, there are some group sessions that are working well based on the specific situations. But with the number of referrals being somewhat higher than usual, it is hard to predict allocation of NYA's social worker's time. Director Prevo is willing to step in and take on clients during 'crunch times' like what NYA is experiencing now, but Commission members expressed great concern about that given that she is already managing the entire NYA department on a reduced schedule.

The Strategic Plan Subcommittee plans to meet again in April.

Financial Report – no report

Liaison Report

Northville Township – Mindy Herrmann announced that the Appointment of Ann Goolsby to the NYA Commission is on the agenda to be approved at the Northville Township Trustee meeting in mid February. She also updated the Commission on some current projects that are in beginning stages: Heritage Park at 5 Mile and Winchester and the development at 5 Mile and Beck.

City of Northville – Marilyn Price announced that City Council is meeting with consultants in early March to help determine a strategic direction.

Northville Public Schools –no report

Old Business – Sunday, February 25 at 2:00pm Sundaes on Sunday event, which replaces the former Mentor Appreciation Event. Director Prevo is hoping for a good turnout for this new format.

New Business – none

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:48 am.

The next regularly scheduled Commission meeting is Tuesday, March 13, 2018 at 8 a.m. at the Northville Community Center.

