

Colchester Youth FIRST

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Youth Services Advisory Board/ Youth FIRST Coalition Wednesday, March 1, 2017 Meeting Minutes Location: Youth Center Time: 5:00pm

Voting members present: Lorraine Marvin, Linda Bromley, Kathy Wonderly, Josh Vinoski. Others present: Valerie Geato, Kylie Haggerty, Denise Mizla, Chris Bennett, Barbara Hutchins, Sara McCarvill, Desiree Martino, Jennifer Tyrrell, Eileen Gould, Diane Jordan.

- 1. Josh Vinoski was sworn in by Denise Mizla of the court of Selectmen.
- 2. Josh called meeting to order at 5:01 pm.
- 3. Linda called to approve of minutes.
- 4. Introductions began around the table, followed by Linda asking for any public comments. Desiree Martino asked why the youth center allows kids to check-in so late. Valerie Geato explained that we allow kids to stay after school for help and still walk to the youth center.
- 5. Old Business
 - a. Program Updates from Youth Services were given by Kylie Haggerty.
 - b. Valerie explained that Youth Services will be using an online registration program for our April vacation trips as a test run for summer program registration. Diane Jordan suggested having a game-bus come to town for a summer trip to lower costs.
 - c. The Table Talk Community Conversation was re-capped. Kylie shared that Table Talk jars are now available for use at Plum Tomato and Inishmor restaurants.
- 6. New Business
 - a. The date of the next meeting is changed to Tuesday, April 4th at 5:00pm at Bacon Academy.
 - b. The next community conversation, 'High in Plain Sight' was explained to the board. It was expressed by Valerie that we need help with finding furniture, serving pizza, and facilitating tables during the event. Chris Bennett offered to help with furniture located at William J. Johnston Middle School. Valerie asked Kathy Wonderly and Josh Vinoski to take part in the World Café which will facilitate conversation during the 'High in Plain Sight' event.
 - c. Josh Vinoski explained that there will be a screening of the movie 'Resilience' to promote the need to prioritize the social emotional needs of students. The screening will occur on April 20th.
- 7. Linda Bromley motioned to adjourn meeting at 6:03pm, seconded by Kathy Wonderly.

Submitted: March 3rd, 2017 by Kylie Haggerty