



Town of Barnstable
BARNSTABLE RECREATION



JOHN GLEASON
Recreation Director

141 Bassett Lane, Hyannis, MA 02601

T: 508-790-6345 | F: 508-790-6279 | E: John.Gleason@town.barnstable.ma.us

Barnstable Youth Commission Minutes

October 11, 2022 ~ 6:30 P.M. - 7:30 P.M.

Hyannis Youth and Community Center Shepley Room

A quorum being duly present, **Isabelle Rudy** called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

Notice of Recording: Yes - Meeting being audio recorded by Sandra Merritt for the purpose of taking minutes.

Roll Call:

Present: Isabelle Rudy (Chair), Luc-Andre Sader (Vice Chair), Mary Steinhilber, Alex Arabadzhiev, Connor O'Reilly, Mary Flynn Kayajan, Jaden Jeffries, George Noonan (Assistant Director Recreation Division), Sandra Merritt (Principal Division Assistant), Kellie Crawley (Adult Advisor)

Absent: Piper Hunt, Laik O'Reilly, Michaela Stampfl, Cameron Levesque, Haley Labdon, Representative Kip Diggs (Adult Advisor), Officer Brian Morrison

Guests: Sara Ahern, Superintendent of Schools

Minutes: Alex Arabadzhiev made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 27, 2022 meeting; Mary Steinhilber seconded; All in favor; motion passed.

Public Comment:

Sara Ahern introduced herself

Old Business

A. Sub Committee Reports

a. Public Health

1. **Prevention Forum (Substance Abuse Forum) - Luc-Andre Sader**
 - o To be held at the Barnstable High School Library on November 14th at 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM
 - o Discussion on logistics of location, set-up, equipment needed, schedule

- George will find out what money is available from Grant to pay for school staff needed for set-up of event
 - Resource tables - Calmer Choice, Police Department (brochures, etc.), B Free Wellness
 - i. Izzy will look into what tables were there last year
 - Luc will call Deb Ciavola to suggest her focus be on teenage age group
 - Mary will reach to Officer Downes
 - Connor will reach out to Officer Stempf
2. **One Love - Izzy Rudy**
- Working on getting dates set
 - Alex, Mary, Luc will meet with Ms. Taylor
 - Sophomores and Juniors this year – one in fall and one in spring
 - Cape Cod Academy – Flynn meeting on Thursday with Jeff Thompson (Headmaster)
 - Discussion on Videos being provided to Mrs. Barnett
 - i. Flynn will arrange to watch these with her in order to have a discussion about them with her

New Business

A. Superintendent of Schools Sara Ahern

- a. Asked members to tell her their mission and what they do
 - Voice of youth
 - Identify issues they feel are important that affect the youth
 - Put on events such as One Love, Substance Abuse Forum, and Youth Job Fair
- b. How can she help
 - Assistance in getting information to younger age group
 - Provide support with regards to the scheduling of events
 - Assist in keeping the lines of communication open between the Youth Commission and the schools

B. Matters Not Anticipated By The Chair

- a. New Commission Member Recruitment
 - Luc spoke to Ms. Friedman who provided 4 member recommendations
 - Best to go through counselors to set up meeting to talk with them about the Youth Commission
 - If they show interest, invite them to a meeting
 - Luc will talk to the principal to request a blurb be sent out
- b. Local Comprehensive Plan
 - Izzy said she has not heard from them and asked if the Commission can reach out to them
 - Feedback discussed as to the information provided at the last meeting and what the Commission may be able to provide
 - George will reach out to James about follow up
- c. Luc has organized an Ultimate Frisbee Competition
 - October 22nd at 5:00 – 9:00PM
 - Suggested Youth Commission have a table at the event
 - Have brochures at the table



- Invite James and Kate to see if the Comprehensive Plan would be interested in being there to interview people
- Flynn Kayajan made a motion to have a table at the Ultimate Frisbee Tournament to be held on October 22nd at 5:00-9:00 PM; Mary Steinhilber seconded; All in favor; motion passed
- d. All Call
 - Luc will write script for Mary to record the call
 - Send out 10 days before and the night before
- e. Instagram Sub-Committee
 - Izzy will reach out to Mikaela
 - Kellie to be added to sub-committee
 - Must be approved this before the Instagram can be set up

Flynn Kayajan made a motion to adjourn; **Mary Steinhilber** seconded; All in favor; motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Sandra Merritt
Principal Recreation Division Assistant

Next Meeting: Tuesday, October 25, 2022 6:30 PM via Zoom

