

WATCHUNG BOROUGH
Youth Service Commission
Minutes
December 3, 2013

Meeting Called to Order: By Chairman Albert Ellis

Roll Call: A. Ellis (P); D. Joren (A); Dr. Resko (A); K. Caldas (A); Ms. Nunn (P); County Rep. C. Britt (P); Juvenile Lieutenant (P) Pete LaVecchia Youth Members; Olivia Xu (P); Achilles Aslidis (P)

Reports: The Mayor has appointed two youth members to the commission, Olivia Xu and Achilles Aslidis, both 8th graders, who were sworn in as new members of the Youth Services Commission at the November 25th Mayor and Council meeting.

Treasurer report: There is a balance of \$567.15 in our Donation account.

Correspondence:

Unfinished business: The commission discussed running the Narratives program at VV and a mini program at BB with grant money, if approved by the county. C. Britt informed the Commission That the program would not qualify for the grant fund but felt the “White Out Bulling” program would qualify for the grant if run with training and as an ongoing program.

New Business:

1. Informed members of the commission of the resignation of Kathy Caldos as of January 1st, 2014.
2. Reviewed possibilities of a new member according to the list from the county.

Input/Discussions: A. Ellis informed the youth members of what their involvement would be as a commission member and as liaisons between the commission and the student council. He informed the youth members of what had been done in the past and ask that they come up with ideas that could possibly be implemented as ongoing programs or events that would benefit the students of VV or BB.

County Report: C. Britt announced that the quarterly report is due after the holidays. She mentioned that many programs are being offered through the county, one in particular that will be run in January addressing self-harm. She mentioned a program called “Girls Circle” which is a mentoring group that meets once a week and addresses self-esteem and anger management. M. Nunn mentioned that it would be a great program for those students that are not runners.

Meeting Schedule for 2014: February 4th, at 5:00 pm, April 1st, and June 3rd

Adjournment: As there was no further business to discuss A. Ellis called the meeting to adjourn at 5:20 pm.