

**Minutes of
Youth Services Committee Meeting
March 11, 2020**

Members Present: Susan Kristoff, Carol Wiggins, Rebecca Allen, Maureen Allen, Greg DeCarli, Denise Morrell, Bill O'Brien and Jack Dooley.

Also Present: Cheri Rivard-Lentz and Linette Dooley.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:31 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JANUARY 8, 2020 MEETING

A discussion was held regarding the attendees at the 1/8/20 meeting.

Bill O'Brien moved to amend the 1/8/20 minutes to correctly identify the attendees as: Susan Kristoff, Carol Wiggins, Rebecca Allen, Greg DeCarli, Alyssa Gwinnell, Denise Morrell, Dan Leavitt, Bill O'Brien and Marc Volza.

Denise Morrell seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

3. AUDIENCE OF CITIZENS

None.

4. NEW BUSINESS

Jack Dooley was introduced to the committee. Jack is a student at E.O. Smith High School.

A discussion was held regarding Dr. Paul Weigle's March 13, 2020 presentation entitled "Gaming Disorder: A Virtual Addiction".

5. OLD BUSINESS

April YSC Forum/Presentation

A discussion was held regarding the proposed forum/presentation in April. In light of the coronavirus and the need to book speakers, it was consensus of the committee that the forum/presentation should be postponed until June 2020.

Update from Andover Hebron Marlborough Youth and Family Services (AHM)

Cheri Rivard-Lentz discussed several events be hosted by AHM. They include the following: (1) Scott Driscoll, President of Internet Safety Concepts, is scheduled to give a presentation on internet safety and social media on March 12, 2020; (2) Trooper Cummings is also scheduled to give a presentation on internet safety on March 20, 2020; (3) AHM will again participate in the national Take Back Day on April 12, 2020; (4) AHM will participate in Hebron's Maple Fest on March 21, 2020 by hosting a Nature and Adventure Day; and (5) AHM will also be hosting a Safe Home Alone Readiness Program for children ages 10 and up.

Cheri also reported that the Clinical Department at AHM is increasing its staff.

Update from Resident Trooper

No update.

Update from Horace W. Porter School

No update.

Update from Columbia Parks and Recreation

No update.

6. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

Jack discussed his belief that students transitioning from Horace W. Porter School to high school may find the transition easier if they were paired with upperclassmen from Columbia at the beginning of their freshman year.

7. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:43 p.m.