

Troy Youth Assistance Board Meeting

February 21, 2008 Draft Minutes

6:00 p.m.

Present: Robin Beltramini, Robin Lilly, George Zielinski, Charlene Krupitzer, Dale Zygnowicz, Mike Kerr, Deb Debacker, Ann Comiskey, Wendy Underwood, Paul Scobie.

Call to order: Robin B. called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. All rose for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes: Ann moved to approve the minutes of January 17, 2008. George seconded; so moved.

Treasurer's Report: George Zielinski:

- George presented Treasurers Report. Robin L. moved to approve report as presented. Ann seconded; so moved.

Communications:

- Paul spoke about the Oakland County Youth Summit being held February 25, 2008.

Caseworker's Report:

- VOLUNTEER RECRUITMENT-We have an exciting opportunity in front of us to bring new people to serve within TYA. New membership brings new perspective, creative ideas, and fresh energy. Let's take seriously our own personal responsibility to "think outside the box" in considering people we know who could assist us going forward. Amy Johnson is also working on a press release at present to help us in this regard
- OAKLAND COUNTY YOUTH SUMMIT –On Monday, February 25, I will be acting as a facilitator at the Oakland County Youth Summit sponsored by the Oakland County Circuit Court-Family Division, Oakland Schools, Community Corrections, and Welcome Baptist Church of Pontiac. The purpose of the event is to improve and enhance communication and foster positive change through continuing dialogue between Oakland County Youth and Oakland County Child Welfare Stakeholders. This event will be much like Troy's own Youth Dialogue Day, but will involve middle and high school students from throughout Oakland County.
- SPRING BREAK/TROY STYLE-This Fourth Annual community wide event for students is coming up on us fast this year.....March 24-29. I will be assisting Troy Community Coalition staff in distribution of flyers to schools in early March.
- CASEWORK- During January, twelve new referrals came into TYA-six from police, five from schools, and one from a parent. Our caseload as of January 31, 2008 stood at 54-31 boys and 23 girls.

Executive Committee Report:

- Robin B. talked about TYA's recruitment options. It was suggested to change the job description layout.
- We looked at different organizations to collaborate with: Work Perks Website, Chamber of Commerce, faith community, others.
- Robin B. compiled a list of potential names that members brought to the table tonight.

Committee Reports:

A. Camp/Skill Building:

- No report

B. Family Education:

- Charlene reported: Active Parenting of Teens is running right now and going well. We are getting ready to advertise the upcoming Teen Sex: At What Cost April 10th.

C. Fundraising- Vacant:

D. Mentors Plus-Paul Scobie reported.

- Paul will be following up with Joe Janus in regards to continuing as chairperson. There are two active matches at this time.

E. Membership- Vacant

F. Publicity- Amy Johnson:

- Paul reported. Amy is working on a press release for volunteer recruitment.

E. Youth Involvement-

- No report

H. Youth Recognition-Committee

- On track. Jeanne Stine spoke with Troy Rotary and they may be willing to be involved this year.

School Reports:

- No report.

Old Business:

- Nancy and Paul participated in an interview at CMNTV.
- TYA made a donation to the Spring Break Troy Style.

New Business:

- Robin L distributed updated Board Of Directors Roster.

Community Information From Organization/Agencies Liaisons:

- Ann spoke of her trip to Washington DC. Troy Community Coalition will be holding its Incredible Kids ceremony on March 6th.
- Wendy reports that March 7th will be opening night for the spring play, "Thoroughly Modern Millie" at Troy High School. Tony Award winning Alumni Ms. Sutton Foster will be there for Q&A.
- Robin B spoke of Troy Land Use Meeting scheduled for February 26th.

Other concerns:

- It was suggested to contact Sandy Armbruster of the Troy Eccentric on the New Beginnings Scholarship. Paul to follow up on this.

Adjourned: 7:30 p.m.

Next meeting will be March 13, 2008 @ 6:00 p.m. (Please note a week early)

Respectfully Submitted,
Robin Lilly, Secretary