

Troy Youth Assistance Board Meeting

November 20, 2008

Final Minutes

Present: Leonette Ciepielowski, Robin Beltramini, Robin Lilly, George Zielinski, Nancy Piotrowski, Charlene Krupitzer, Ann Comiskey, Dale Zygnowicz, Nancy Groves, Bruce Baxter, Beth Nowinski, Daniella Youhan, Jeanne Stine, John Hug, Paul Scobie.

Call to order: Leonette called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. All rose for the Pledge of Allegiance. Leonette introduced Nancy Groves, a guest at tonight's meeting and John Hug from the Troy Recreation Department filling in for Brian Goul.

Minutes: Nancy P moved to approve the minutes of October 16, 2008. George seconded; so moved.

Treasurer's Report: George Zielinski:

- George presented October 2008 Treasurers Report. Ann moved to approve report. Charlene seconded; so moved.

Communications:

- Discussion took place on TYA By the Numbers and updating recent efforts for Troy City Council.

Caseworker's Report:

- SPONSORSHIP-Our "TYA By the Numbers" fact sheet was updated and sent this week to our elected officials from the City of Troy and the Troy Board of Education. This is a great piece to keep the important work that we do on the "front burner." Copies are available for members to distribute to interested friends, neighbors, or potential new volunteers.
- TROY NON-PROFIT LUNCHEON-I attended the Troy Chamber of Commerce Non-Profit Network's Change For The Better Luncheon on November 12. This was an excellent opportunity to meet other members, speak briefly about TYA, and say thanks to the Chamber for their support of TYA and other non profits in the community.
- OCYA COORDINATING COUNCIL ANNUAL BREAKFAST- The Oakland County YA Coordinating Council held its yearly Sponsor Appreciation Breakfast on November 14 at the Iroquois Club in Bloomfield Hills. Many thanks to Leonette Ciepielowski and Troy City Councilwoman Mary Kerwin for ably representing TYA at this event
- SCHOOL VIOLENCE CONFERENCE-I attended a daylong workshop in Lansing on November 19 looking at the larger issue of school violence, including bullying behavior. This was a very eye opening day with great presenters and information. Also in attendance were Officers Nikki Kaptur and Andy Breidenich from the Troy Police Department. Please see me if interested in some excellent websites and resources on this topic.
- CASEWORK-During October, eight new referrals came into TYA-seven from school sources and one from a parent. Our caseload as of October 31, 2008 stood at 39-27 boys and 12 girls

Executive Committee Report:

- Discussed issues related to membership and recruitment: Nancy P spoke of the timeline that was developed which will be revisited at our next meeting.
- New Beginnings Scholarship Committee could use additional members.

Committee Reports:

A. Camp/Skill Building: Brian Goul:

- Paid out check for CYO residential campers early in the fall.

B. Family Education:

- Finishing up Active Parenting Now.
- Meeting date change: November meeting has been rescheduled to December 3, 2008 @ 3:30 p.m..

C. Fundraising- Vacant:

D. Mentors Plus-Bruce Baxter:

- Bruce distributed flyers to recruit volunteers for Mentors PLUS. Committee members were asked to post in places of interest. Nancy G will check with past associates about mentoring.

E. Membership- Nancy Piotrowski:

- Nancy looking for folks to assist with creation of a Board Manual.
- Non-Profit Network- Submitted two "success stories" on TYA recently.

F. Publicity- :

- No Report

E. Youth Involvement-

- Annual candy collection took in 391lbs. Charlene will take some to the prison ministry. Leonette and Paul will distribute to Baldwin center, St. Anastasia. Leonette will also pass on to an associate who is collecting for soldiers.

H. Youth Recognition-Committee

- Will be meeting after Board meeting tonight to start plans.

School Reports:

- Danielle reports that Athens High School held a blood drive and collected 85 pints. Held a food drive competition between Athens and Troy High Schools. Raised money for Cystic Fibrosis.
- Beth Reports- Troy High held a penny war, had a field day, and is planning a winter ball.

Old Business:

- Showed the New TYA Banner

New Business:

- Safe Homes-Nancy P reports on House Bill 4163 seeking to make Michigan bars and restaurants smoke free.
- Troy Community Coalition Meeting- DEA agent visited, Troy Explorers visited.

Community Information From Organization/Agencies Liaisons:

- Robin B reports- December 12, 2008 will be Troy's tree lighting ceremony. Community Kaleidoscope will be January 25, 2009.
- John Hug reports-There will be a blood drive at the Troy Community Center, competing with Ohio Community Center. New Year's Eve Celebration will be held.
- Ann Reports- Celebrity night dinner went well in October; Jamie Martone was honored.

Adjourned: 7:35 p.m.

Next meeting will be January 15, 2009 @ 6:00 p.m.

Respectively submitted,
Robin Lilly, Secretary
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