

# TOWN OF BARNSTABLE

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## BARNSTABLE YOUTH COMMISSION

### December 10, 2015 Minutes (through a taped recording)

A quorum being duly present, **Chairman Brendan Clark** called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Hyannis Youth and Community Center, 141 Bassett Lane, Hyannis, MA 02601.

**Present:** Brendan W. Clark (Chairman), Lynne Poyant (Director of Community Services), Carrie Osborn, Lily Sethares, Lt. Jean Challies (Police Officer), Michael Hersey (Adult Advisor), Patti Machado (Leisure Services Director), Lianna Mitchell, and Sean Smith

**Absent:** Jen Ellis (Police Officer), Jen Cullum (Town Council Liaison), George Noonan (Program Coordinator), Alliana DeBarros, Allison Wolfe, Matthew Hersey, Caleb Sonnabend and Molly Autery

Motion made by **Lianna Mitchell** to postpone approval minutes of November 19, 2015; seconded by **Carrie Osborn**. All in favor.

Resignation letter from Emma Mannel, Youth Commissioner, read into the minutes.

**Lianna Mitchell** made a motion to accept the resignation with regret; **Lily Sethares** seconded it. Motion carried.

### Public Comment:

**Lianna Mitchell** made a motion to close public comment; **Lily Sethares** seconded it. Motion carried.

### Old Business:

**A. Youth Summit Updates FY16:** Only half of the Peer Leadership group will be available for the weekend. Chris Herren is not available for the 2016 Summit. Legislative reps from all levels have been invited.

**B. Youth Summit Breakout Group Reports:**

**Liliana (Programming)** reported that:

1. Anita Devlin is available.
2. Rob Hackerson with Dynamic Influence - Interactive presentation group found on-line.
3. Would prefer to use the "Black Box" as the venue to keep the groups smaller and better focused.

Research the availability of a Mentor seeking program – Patti has reached out to Chris Donalson for information.

Lianna made a motion to negotiate booking Robert Hackerson from Dynamic Influence for the 2016 Youth Summit Conference; seconded by Lily. All in favor.

**Sean (Advertising & Public Relations)** reported that:

1. Discussed the possibility of social advertising (Facebook) – legal aspects? Town webpage? Lynne will look into it.

2. Sending press release to Cape Cod Times and Barnstable Patriot. Lynne will reach out to Doug Meehan and ask about TV press coverage.

**C. Liaison Positions/Interested Commissioners:** Recreation Commission is actively seeking a Commissioner as a liaison.

**D. Youth Commission Town Council Presentations: Brendan** reached out to **Jenn Cullum** to get permission to present to the Council on February.

**E. Youth Summit Invitations to Officials et al.:** E-mails with links to last year's summit have been sent.

#### **New Business:**

**A. Youth Summit Fiscal Year 2017:** In order to secure speakers for 2017, the Commission needs to commit to date(s) and location.

**B. Heroin, Cape Cod USA:** Screening at Cape Cod Community College on 12/17; nationally televised on HBO December 18<sup>th</sup>.

**C. Commission Membership Amendment Updates:** In explaining the rationale, it was stated 9 voting members and 11 full members which is including the adults. Amendment is posted on the Town Council update. Council President is opposing students who attend school but do not reside in Barnstable as being members of the Commission.

**D. Current Commission Membership Clarifications:** A department missed one of the steps – everything and everyone is current – approval letters will be mailed out; some members are still pending.

#### **Liaison Reports:**

**A. Town Council Update: Brendan reported on the 12/7/15 meeting.** Largest item on the agenda was the voting of \$34,999 for the Town Manager search consultant. Money was appropriated. **Jen Cullum** was nominated for Town Council President.

**B. Regional Substance Abuse Council Update:** Majority of Police Departments on Cape has a Drug Abuse Coalition – Barnstable does not. Town Councilor Sarah Cushing would like to see Barnstable form one specifically with youth representatives.

**Sean Smith** made a motion to adjourn, seconded by **Carrie Osborn**. All in favor.  
Meeting adjourned at 7:39 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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