

**Preston Youth Services Bureau Advisory Board
Special Meeting
Monday, June 6, 2022
4:30 pm.
Teleconference**

1. Call to Order & Roll Call

Chairwoman Lennon called the meeting to order at 4:33 pm

Regular Members

Melissa Lennon - Chairwoman
Amanda Phelps – Vice Chair
Kasey Peek- Secretary – arrived at 4:47 pm
Zachary Robinson – Youth Rep.

Liaisons - None present

Sandra Allyn-Gauthier – BoS
Dr. Roy Seitsinger – PPS
Dr. Ivy Davis- Tomczuk – PPS
Ray Bernier – PPS

Resident State Trooper Sean Bresnan – Police Rep. -excused
Jessica Boucher – School Rep. - arrived at 5:00 pm
Rachel Tucker – Community Member
Vacant – Youth Org. Rep.
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Also Present

Amy Brosnan, Parks & Recreation Director
Roberta Charpentier, recording secretary

2. Public Comment

None

3. Approve Meeting Minutes

a. May 18, 2022 – Regular Meeting

A motion was made by Rachel Tucker and seconded by Amanda Phelps to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of May 18, 2022 as amended.

All in favor Motion carries

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i. Board Game Club

A motion was made by A. Phelps and seconded by Jessica Boucher to purchase a \$100 gift card for YSB's board game club facilitator volunteer. All in favor. Motion carries.

Page 4, iii. Library Passes for Families to various museums, etc.

A motion was made by A. Phelps and seconded by J. Boucher to approve spending ~~\$7,084~~ \$7,093 on the library pass programming to include the shipping fee for Southwick Zoo.

All in favor. Motion carries.

4. Correspondence

a) Thank you card from Game Board Club facilitator Scott Driscoll.

5.. PYSB Financial Report

A. Brosnan;

Balance of \$17,119.67 + \$5,600 from Enhancement Grant – monthly expenses =

YTD balance \$1717.27

6. Resignations, Vacancies, & Appointments

a. **Vacancies – a Preston youth organization representative, & a community member**

No comments

7. PYSAB: Programming Ideas

a. **Enrichment/Education**

i. **Gardening – school & community**

1. **School – funding request**

Funds requested for fencing for a garden next year at Preston Plains Middle School.

YSB members thought the school should present a proposal before funds are given to them.

2. **Community – raised garden beds at Town Hall**

Dan William, Preston resident is willing to teach/assist with Community raised garden beds.

Hart's Greenhouse is willing to donate plants.

ii. **Summer Programming – sponsor camps or activities**

1. **Middle School Camp/Teen Adventure Camp – possibly CT Summer Enrichment Grant**

A. Brosnan noted that Parks & Recreation received a grant for \$30,925

This grant will cover all the staff, 5 scholarships per week, busing, food, staff admissions.

Discussion:

A. Brosnan will purchase back packs for camp participants.

2. **Music & Movement type programming for birth to five**

A motion was made by Kasey Peeks and seconded by Amanda Phelps to approve NTE \$900 for Tunes and Tots programming for birth to 5.

All in favor. Motion carries.

3. other b. Non-sport activities

i. **Board Game Club**

1. **consider purchasing games for the club**

A motion was made by Amanda Phelps and seconded by Kasey Peeks to approve NTE \$400 to purchase board games for the continuance of the Board Game Club.

All in favor. Motion carries.

**A motion was made by Amanda Phelps and seconded by Kasey Peeks to purchase NTE \$400 for supplies to start a Community Garden.
All in favor. Motion carries.**

8. PYSAB Programming List for 2021-2022

a. Ongoing:

i. Hire A Teen

ii. Intergenerational Pen Pals

b. Fall:

i. Purchase of Story Walk Boards at Preston Community Park

ii. Purchase of Mental Health books for Preston Public Library

iii. Babysitting Course (November 13)

c. Winter:

i. Presents for Preston – 20 kids were sponsored

ii. Stuff a Cruiser – collected toys, socks, slippers, & blankets

iii. Art from the Heart – 25 kids made reindeer for distribution to seniors

iv. Board Games Club – 6 weeks, grades 6-12, started Feb. 22 from 6-8 p.m.

d. Spring:

i. Babysitting Course – Sunday, April 10th

ii. Art from the Heart

iii. Chelsea Groton Banking Classes – middle school “money sense” (April 5th) & high school “checking vs. savings” (April 12th)

iv. NAMI “Ending the Silence” – 3 virtual presentations: high school (April 7th), PPMS (April 11th), parents (April 14th)

v. Internet Safety Concepts classes with Scott Driscoll – in person for students and virtually for parents (May 19th)

vi. Girls Circle: “Body Image” – M/W for 5 weeks starting May 2nd

vii. Purchase Library Passes to many “local” museums and attractions

A motion was made by Amanda Phelps and seconded by Jessica Boucher to amend the motion made at the May YSB meeting by approving the spending of \$7,093 on the library pass programming to include the shipping fee for Southwick Zoo.

All in favor. Motion carries

viii. Hidden in Plain Sight (vaping focus)

Virtual June 8th & the afternoon of June 26th

ix. Distribute anti-vaping materials at Preston Palooza (June 16th)

e. Summer:

i. Summer Sizzler (June 21st) – \$2.50 youth vouchers for ice cream truck and sponsor inflatables

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The ice cream vouchers value will be increased from \$2.50 to \$3.00 due to rising costs.

ii. Sponsor Art Camp & Slime Camp for grades 1-6 the week before and after tradition Parks & Rec Summer Camp with subsidy of \$150 per Preston child up to 25 per camp

9. Public Comment

None

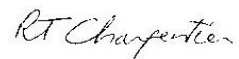
10. Adjournment

A motion was made by Rachel Tucker and seconded by Jessica Boucher to adjourn the meeting at 5:35 pm.

All in favor. Motion carries

Next meeting will be Wednesday, September 21, 2022 at 4:30 p.m

Respectfully submitted,



Roberta Charpentier