First Selectman’s Youth Commission Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, March 5, 2019

In Attendance:
Charlie Ciporin, Grace Thompson, Scott Gibbons, Izzy Kalb, Nikhil Jaiswal, Bennett Hawley, Mark Chen, Jamyva Lagout, Jamaya Lagout, Lauren Harteveeldt, Harry Kilberg, Tommy Kimberlin, Katherine Santoro, Samuel Arkongold, Colin Speaker, Olivia Schnur, Gigi Jervis, Stephanie Browder, and Emma Kate Smith.

Absent: Mackenna Goeller and Andrea Jemiolo

Meeting Call to Order:
By: Izzy Kalb
Time: 7:16

Announcements
- Charlie Ciporin address FSYC applicants
  - There will be a round of cuts introduced before the interview process

Old Business - Updates
- Approval of Minutes
  - Motion: Izzy Kalb
  - For: 18, Against: 0, Abstain: 0
- Vaping Presentation Update: Lauren Harteveeldt
  - Introduced updates on the presentation
  - Public presentation aimed at middle school parents.
- Mental Health Project: Mark Chen
  - Survey reviewed by Tara Jogee (Teen Talk Counselor at Kids In Crisis)
  - Survey almost ready and will be sent out to Board for review
- Observatory Update: Thomas Kimberlin
  - Astronomical Society desires written proof from the Director of Risk Management
  - Director has said informally that the insurance policy doesn’t limit the dates that the astronomical society can run the observatory without time restrictions
- FSYC-Greenwich Scholarship Association Scholarship: Izzy Kalb
  - Proposal: FSYC will raise money for a small scholarship, managed by the GSA, to help pay for expenses that come with college
  - Scholarship would be need-based (since it is run by the GSA) and more specific parameters will be set by the Commission
    - GSA will select recipients based on parameters set by FSYC
    - Delegates would fundraise at schools for a target total of $1000 ($500 minimum)
  - Money should be raised by next March
    - Motion to approve the project proposal: Izzy Kalb
      - Seconded: Harry Kilberg
      - For: 18, Against: 0, Abstain: 0
  - Creation of a subcommittee: Scholarship Subcommittee
    - Emma Kate Smith (CSH)
    - Lauren Harteveeldt (GA)
    - Olivia Schnur (GHS) PM
    - Izzy Kalb (EX) PM
    - Jamyva Lagout (GHS)

- Suggestion Box Updates: Bennett Hawley
Public suggestion
- 3 on vaping
- 1 on underage alcohol consumption

- **Newsletter:** Nikhil Jaiswal
  - Will be typed up and sent to the board for approval

- **GHS Documentary:** Olivia Schnur
  - Concerns with the FSYC were aired by a documentary produced by GHS students, this was a class project
  - GHS will determine how to communicate available youth spaces to the community

- **T-Shirts:** Lauren Hartveldt
  - Motion to approve the project proposal: Grace Thompson
    - Seconded: Charlie Ciporin
    - For: 0, Against: 9, Abstain: 9

- **Greenwich Together Logo Contest:** Katherine Santoro
  - Katherine created a logo with the help of a logo design website
    - Grace had questions
    - Katherine and Gigi committed to creating an FSYC logo

- **Abilis Summer Engagement:** Olivia Schnur
  - Idea of the potential proposal will be similar to the FSYC Christmas

- **GCDS/Stanwich Members:** Danielle
  - Gigi Jervis sent an email to the GCDS Headmaster informing him that the commission would like members from their new high school

- **Diversity Writing Contest:** Danielle
  - Has been promoted at schools

Delegate Reports: Important updates from School Communities:
- Brunswick Delegates
  - Harry Kilberg: Brunswick fundraiser for the Diversity Writing contest and left over funds will go towards future budget
  - $1100 is the goal

- Convent of the Sacred Heart Delegates
  - None

- Greenwich Academy Delegates
  - Izzy Kalb: Week of the Young Child at Family Centers
  - Week is April 8th through April 12th

- Greenwich High School Delegates
  - Bennett Hawley: GHS has finished their diversity week

- Executive Committee and guests
  - None

Adjourn Meeting: 8:10pm

Motion: Izzy Kalb
Seconded: Nikhil Jaiswal

Next Meeting/Work Session:
Tuesday, March 26 Work Session
Tuesday, April 9 Full Board Meeting