First Selectman’s Youth Commission Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, October 15, 2019
Greenwich Town Hall, Hayton Room, 3rd Floor, 7:30-8:30pm Full Board

In attendance: Izzy Kalb, Nikhil Jaiswal, Olivia Schnur, Mark Chen, Makenna Goeller, Jamya Lagout, Colin Speaker, Zane Khader, Steven Blank, Anne-Emilie Rouffiac, Isabelle Harper, Prathit Kurup, Andres Ruh, Lauren Hartevedlt, Rafaela Lipschitz, Sumner Hill, Noor Rekhi, Emma Kate Smith, Mary O’Connor, Elizabeth (Gerty) Hisler, Jonny Citron, Campbell Officer, Peter Kapp, Samuel Jake Weiner

Absent: Harry Kilberg, Wyatt Razdin, Hadley Rosenberg, Jimmy Papas, Alexander Clark

Meeting Call to Order:
By: Izzy Kalb
Time: 7:32pm

Welcome/Announcements:
• Approval of Minutes
  o Motion: Izzy Kalb
  o Seconded: Olivia
  Vote: For: 17/ Against: 7/ Abstain: 0

Old Business: Updates
• Suggestion Box
  o No new suggestions
  o Physical suggestion box at high schools
    ▪ Would help with constant promotion of suggestions and serve as a reminder that it exists
    ▪ Announcement/blurb next to box would help inform

Subcommittee Updates
• Subcommittee on Inequality, Inclusion, and Race Relations
  o Student Diversity Leadership Conference
    ▪ Planned out some details
• Subcommittee on Environmental Impact and Sustainability
  o Did not meet
• Subcommittee on Substance Abuse Prevention
  o Vaping Video Project
    ▪ Planned out the general outline
  o Vaping Presentation
    ▪ No new updates
• Subcommittee on Mental Health and Well-being
  o Did not meet
• Subcommittee on Law Enforcement and Citizen–Government Interaction
  o No new updates
• Subcommittee on Community Partner Relations
  o Did not meet
• Subcommittee on Healthcare and Education Accessibility
  o Talked about Izzy’s preschool project
    ▪ Week of the Young Child
  o Scholarship fund and grant
    ▪ Reach out to restaurants in Greenwich for fundraising
      ▪ Pizza Post and Joey B’s
Will eventually discuss parameters for who will be selected

- Subcommittee on Commission Messaging and Awareness
  - Discussed different logo ideas

**Project Proposals and Reports**

- **SEED**
  - Reach out to GHS health department and social workers in school
  - Talk to principals at elementary schools

- **Safe Rides**
  - Problem: People don’t call
  - Some worried that Safe Rides will report school because they ask what school you go to
  - There will be an article in the Greenwich Times
  - Incentivize people to make an app

- **Peter Kapp’s Project Proposal**
  - The goal is to have high schoolers working with underprivileged kids (Ham Ave) after school
    - Tutoring/having someone to talk to
  - Initially, have FSYC members go, but open up to other high schoolers
  - Motion to Open Debate
    - Vote: Unanimous
  - Vote to Approve
    - Vote: Unanimous

**Commissioner/School Reports:**

- **Brunswick:**
  - GA doing a culture-fest type event that FSYC can potentially be involved in
  - Doing a joint-school project for Arabic Club
    - Clothing drive for Syrian Refugees

- **Greenwich Academy:**
  - Abilis this Sunday
  - Had first joint GA-Brunswick assembly on sexual assault and consent

- **Greenwich Country Day School:**
  - Scholarship fund for Waterside School

- **Greenwich High School:**
  - Makenna fixed the late bus issues with her bus and now the bus is no longer late!!

- **Sacred Heart:**
  - Presentation by psychologists on vaping and suicide/suicide awareness
  - The film will be shown tomorrow on domestic violence
  - Had assembly to respect pronouns - GSA

**Community Outreach, Collaboration Opportunities, Youth Commission Guests**

- Greenwich Together Logo
  - Working on logo

- **Communities 4 Action: Drug Prevention Survey - PLEASE COMPLETE**
  - Deadline: October 22

- **Kids In-Crisis**
  - Toy Drive - Sponsor a child’s holiday wish

**Future Meeting Times**

**Adjourn Meeting:**

- **Motion:** Nikhil Jaiswal, **Seconded:** Olivia Schnur
  - Vote: For: 23/Against: 1/Abstain: 0

Meeting Adjourned: 8:33pm

**Next Work Session:** Tuesday, October 22, 2019: Cone Room

**Next Full Board Meeting:** Tuesday, November 5, 2019: Hayton Room