



Youth Services Advisory Board Meeting
March Meeting Minutes
March 27, 2023, from 5:00 PM to 6:30 PM

Members in Attendance: Ian Schachner, Marnie Kirchgessner, Jennifer Foote-Dean, Lisa Monroe, Pat Buechel, Leonardo Vargas-Mendez, Randy Brown, Susan Ainslie, Becky Koenig, and Khaki Wunderlich

Members not in Attendance: Mike Jordan, Kate Kelley-Mackenzie, and Patty Van de Bogart,

Staff: Rick Alvord, Kate Shanks-Booth, and Theresa Albert

Guest(s): Ruth Merle-Doyle, Liz Khohman, and Suki Tabor

Welcome - Meeting was called to order at 5:00 pm

Items to be voted on: We did not have quorum so we could not vote on these

- October 22' Minutes
- November 22' Minutes
- January 23' Minutes
- February 23' Minutes
- 2023 Slate of Officers
 - Chair – Patty V.
 - Vice Chair – Khaki W.
 - Secretary – Lisa M.
- Reappointment of Members

Budget Conversation: Urban Outreach 2023 Budget Scenario

- Theresa spoke with Pete Angie about the Urban Outreach Program at CCE. There are currently no staff and no location for the program, and staff were seeking direction from the board on what to do with the money that was allocated for 2023. After conversation, the board has decided to reduce the allocation by 50% and reallocate that money to other programs in 2023.
- Theresa and Kate will have conversations with agencies and come back with a recommendation at the April 2023 meeting.

Presentation: Ithaca Youth Bureau Programs (Ever Stokes (YES), Joe Gibson (BBBS), Kim Olson (Outings), and Courtney Glenn (RSS)).

- Courtney provided an overview of the RSS program. He provided an overview of how his recreation programs support youth with disabilities. He spoke about the great things going on and said that the program could always use more funding.
- Joe provided an overview of the BBBS program. He provided an overview of his programs, and how they focus on mentoring for youth who need caring adult mentors. He mentioned it was the IYB's 75th Anniversary, and they are adding 75 new mentors to support that. Kate said she would share Joe's contact information with those board members who wished to have it.
- Ever provided an update on YES program. They said it had been around for over 50 years, they outlined the process that the programs/teens go through to find first time jobs. They said that this year there is more demand for this program that they have seen in the last few years. Kate also

said that she would share Ever's contact information with the Board members that would like to have it.

- Kim shared an updated-on Outings, which is a program that helps youth transition from elementary school into middle school. They do this through outdoor activities, and through opportunities to share things about themselves.
- Liz added a thank you to the board for our support. She is very proud of her staff, and the quality of the programs that the IYB provides.

Director's Report

- Report was sent out w/ the Meeting Packet, and not discussed at the meeting due to time.

Discussion: 2023 Goals

- Pat highlighted the fact that some board members got together and reviewed and updated all of the goals that were proposed. She said that they also reviewed the metrics under each of the goals.
- Kate said that the words were changed, looked at the metrics. The metrics have been color-coded to show what work needed to be done, and there would be committees formed around each one of the goals.
- Kate suggested that everyone needed to review the goals and determine where they wanted to be active.
- Theresa said that there was a person from the Village of Lansing who had been appointed, and with that we only had two open spots.

New/Old Business

Adjourn Next meeting:

- March 24, 2023, at 5 pm.

The meeting was called at 6:32 pm

Respectfully submitted by Kate Shanks-Booth