

BRISTOL YOUTH COMMISSION MEETING
Minutes January 9th, 2019
51 High Street, Bristol, CT

Item 1 – Opening Ceremonies

Chairwoman Kimberly Carmelich called the January 9th, 2019 Youth Commission meeting to order at 6:15 p.m.

Item 2 - Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence

Led by Chairwoman Carmelich at 6:19 pm

Item 3 – Attendance

Attendees:	Deborah Ahl, Comm.	Robin Klug, Rec. Secretary
	Ryan Broderick, Comm.	Tanya Ledesma, Comm.
	Juan Calderon, Comm.	Joshua Medeiros, Liaison
	Kimberly Carmelich, Chairwoman	Eileen McNulty, Youth Services
Dir		
	Officer Matthew Gotowala, Comm.	Lance Washington, Comm.
	Ethan Grabowski, Comm.	

Absent: Joy Harris, Comm., Allison Wadowski, Comm.

Item 4 – Approval of the minutes of the regular December 12, 2018 Youth Commission Meeting

On a MOTION by Comm. Ledesma and **SECONDED** by Comm. Broderick **it was so moved to approve the minutes of the December 12, 2018 meeting.** Following a voice vote, in which there was no opposition, Chairwoman Carmelich declared the motion carried.

In Favor: 7 Abstention: 0 Opposed: 0

Item 5 – Public Participation

There was no public participation.

Item 6 – Announcements

Chairwoman Carmelich announced she has changed her position of employment and there is potential for conflict between the Youth Commission’s meeting schedule and her new work responsibilities. She give the commission an update in regard to this at the next month’s meeting. Comm. Calderon announced there is a *Be the Change* meeting will be held 01/09/2019 at Bristol Eastern High School. Discussion followed.

Item 7 – Program Reviews

“Man Up” and “Banana Splits” are in the recruiting phase. Paul Vivian will run a second training cycle to bring enrollment to full capacity. Discussion followed.

Item 8 – Budget Review

Transfers requests to account for overages in overtime expenses were made to the Board of Finance. Youth Services has submitted its budget for the 2020 fiscal year, along with the required outcome measures and goals. Discussion followed.

Item 9 – Directors Report

The Holiday gift giving program had more referrals than any previous year and served over 180 children. Youth Services has been awarded the inter-district cooperative grant that it had received for 18 years, after having taken last year off from applying. Youth Services is currently fully staffed. The Local Prevention Council is receiving applications and will award three mini-grants.

Item 10 – Unfinished Business

The count of unstably housed or homeless youth, persons 14 – 24 years old, will be carried out January 23rd through January 29th. Bristol needs more volunteers to participate. Part of the data set that will be collected and used to later determine resource allocation, is to assess the community's willingness to volunteer for homelessness initiatives. Anyone interested in volunteering need to register with "Volunteer Local". Comm. Gotowala reported that Chris Cassin and Kate Carbone have declined to further pursue the installation of vape detectors as the proposed grant funding would not have sufficiently offset the cost of the project. Discussion followed.

Item 11 – New Business

The Youth Recognition Awards, the nomination process, and revisions to the nomination form were presented and agreed upon. Discussion followed.

Item 12 – Resignations

There were no resignations.

Item 13 – Appointments

There were no appointments.

Item 14 – Other Business

Liaison Medeiros announced he will be a member of the Mayor's newly formed Charter Commission for 2019, as well as, the Diversity Council that is to be assembled. Any interested parties are encourage to contact Liaison Medeiros for more information. Discussion followed.

Item 15 – Adjournment

On a MOTION by Liaison Medeiros and SECONDED by Comm. Ahl it was so moved to adjourn the Youth Commission meeting at 7:04 p.m. and it was unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Robin Klug
Recording Secretary Youth Commission

cc: City Clerk