

Madison County Youth Board Meeting Minutes
5:30 pm, Supervisors Conference Room, 2nd Floor
County Office Building, Wampsville
March 1, 2016

Members:

Cole Jackson, Kalila Lehner, Ron Cary, Donna Cashman, Carol Musacchio, Freeda Windland, Sharon Taylor, Jo Perkins, Beth Totten

Staff:

Joanne Eddy and Tina Louis

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

1. Approve Minutes from the February 2, 2016 meeting:

Motion made by Jo to accept the February 2, 2016 minutes as presented; seconded by Sharon; unanimously approved.

2. Allocation of Funding:

Sexually Exploited Youth/RHY Enhanced (SEY) – Catholic Charities – sole source

Joanne explained that the Sexually Exploited Youth/RHY Enhanced funding from the state is very prescriptive to how it has to be spent – with a significant portion of it this year going to enhance our RHY program. She has been working with Catholic Charities and they have proposed a contract for the full \$35,000. The funding would cover part of the At-Risk youth/RHY Case Manager plus a part time Community Outreach Coordinator who would focus on education and an intensive host home recruitment campaign. Included in the budget are plans to continue the *Look Beneath the Surface* campaign started in 2015 with one more full day training. Joanne would like to host the founder of Courtney's House who is herself a victim of trafficking.

Joanne would also like to seek out a good neutral facilitator to put together a county protocol for SEY. Judging from the feedback from law enforcement, DSS and the Child Advocacy Center last year there was not 100 percent consensus of what the procedure would be to address SEY. Joanne sees the need to determine the resources in the county and to get everyone on the same page as to how someone would be referred to services. There is also a potential to include host home stipends in this funding. More promotional and advertising is included partly to address the Catholic Charities' office move/address change. They are now located in the Gorman Foundation Community Center at 1081 Northside Shopping Center in Oneida. This is better space housed within contact of other service providers. There is flexibility built into the budget. Catholic Charities is putting together a narrative to go with the budget. This is the second year of SEY funding and does not impact the total to be allocated under Youth Development funding.

Beth made a motion to approve allocating \$35,000 to **Catholic Charities** for the **Sexually Exploited Youth/RHY Enhanced funding**; seconded by Jo; unanimously approved.

Youth Development Funds

Joanne encouraged the Board to allocate the full \$55,000 tonight. We have \$83,600 in funds requested.

The applications were put in order by the average of the rubric ratings submitted by all Board members and then discussed individually.

Jo made a motion to allocate zero dollars to **Liberty Resources, Inc. Adventure-Based Therapy for Youth**; seconded by Beth; unanimously approved.

Cole made a motion to allocate zero dollars to the **YMCA of the Greater Tri-Valley School Age Child Care Program**; seconded by Ron; unanimously approved.

Jo made a motion to approve allocating \$8,000 to the **Madison County Youth Bureau ACT for Youth Leadership Program**; seconded by Carol; Freeda, Kalila and Cole abstained; unanimously approved by the remaining Board members.

Carol made a motion to approve allocating \$10,723 to the **Town of Sullivan Parks and Recreation Department for the Summer Playground Program**; Beth seconded the motion; after discussion Carol amended her motion to approve allocating \$9,450 to the Town of Sullivan; seconded by Beth; Kalila abstained; unanimously approved by the remaining Board members.

Beth made a motion to approve allocating \$7,800 to the **Smithfield Community Association for the Smithfield Community Summer Youth Service Program**; seconded by Sharon; opposed by Freeda; unanimously approved by the remaining Board members.

Carol made a motion to approve allocating \$4,034 to the **Great Swamp Conservancy, Inc. for the Junior Birders Program**; seconded by Cole; unanimously approved.

Jo made a motion to approve allocating \$12,000 to the **Community Action Program for the Mentoring Partnership**; seconded by Carol; unanimously approved.

Beth made a motion to approve allocating \$7,357 to the **Stone Quarry Hill Art Park for The Art of Maple Syrup Production**; seconded by Jo; unanimously approved.

Ron made a motion to approve allocating \$5,000 to the **Village of Hamilton for the Summer Swim Program**; seconded by Sharon; unanimously approved.

With all applications reviewed the total of \$1,359 remained in the \$55,000 starting amount. Suggestions were offered as to how the money should be allocated.

After discussion was complete Ron made a motion to split the remaining funding three ways and add \$453 to the **Smithfield Community Association's Smithfield Community Summer Youth Service Program** increasing their funded amount to **\$8,253**, \$453 to the **Stone Quarry Hill Art Park's The Art of Maple Syrup Production** increasing their funded amount to **\$7,810**, and \$453 to the **Town of Sullivan Parks and Recreation Department's Summer Playground Program** increasing their funded amount to **\$9,903**; seconded by Jo; Freeda, Kalila and Cole abstained; unanimously approved by the remaining Board members.

3. Miscellaneous:

Nothing to report.

4. Next Meeting – April 5, 2016:

The next scheduled meeting is April 5th.

Sharon made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Donna seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by Tina Louis