

## Minutes

Topic: YSAB - April Meeting

Time: Apr 11, 2023 12:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

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### Present:

Ethel Mantzaris  
Debra Hultgren  
Laura Wright  
Lisa Girard  
Ashley Fillian  
Henry Christenson

### Staff:

Katie Bell, Youth Services Supervisor  
Jocelyn Santiago, Early Childhood Services Coordinator

- I. **Call to Order**
  - Meeting called to order by Ethel Mantzaris at 12:02 pm
- II. **Introductions**
- III. **Approval of minutes:** March 14, 2023
  - Minutes approved by consensus
- IV. **Reports**
  - Human Services and Youth Services Report – Katie Bell
    - Some candidates for the new Youth Services Social Worker position have been interviewed. HR will be working with Allison to bring back prospective applicants for an additional interview upon her return from vacation.

- Sandra Larson, the Senior Center Food Services Assistant has put in her notice to leave the Town. The new Kitchen coordinator has started at the Senior Center this week and Sarah Taylor has been working to orient her to the position.
- The Senior Center is managing additional staffing coverage needs with staff recently going out on maternity leave.
- Youth Services mentoring programs are ending along with the UConn semester and new school building move.

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- Upcoming events include Volunteer Recognition, Hidden in Plain Sight training, and Prescription Drug Take Back Day as part of the Town Earth Day celebration, and the second Celebrate Pride Event.

#### V. **Old Business**

- Sector reports
  - Lisa Girard shared update that new youth-led LBGTQIA2S+ group has been approved for funding through FAVOR, CT and will be at Celebrate Pride Event. “Q Lounge” will finalize flyers soon and share with Lisa for distribution. Lisa asked if it were possible to invite them to speak at next YSAB meeting. General agreement for them to be added to the agenda.
  - Lisa Girard shared feedback from MMS families that they have appreciated the growing connection with Trooper Fillian at the school and feel positively supported by that presence there.

#### VI. **New Business**

- Future planning for in-person/remote/hybrid options
  - Plan to continue to meet virtually through June with plan to move to hybrid in September 2023.
  - Plan to invite “Q Lounge” to May Youth Services Advisory Board meeting

#### VII. **Other**

#### VIII. **Opportunity for Public Comment**

- Emailed, sent via USPS, call-in/video participation at the above link/number
  - No public comment received

#### IX. **Adjournment**

- Meeting adjourned at 12:37 pm

Next scheduled regular meeting: May 9, 2023