

**YOUTH SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD**  
**2-13-08 Meeting Minutes (Approved)**

<b>AGENDA ITEM</b>	<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<b>ACTION</b>
<p><b>Call to Order</b>  <b>Attendance</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• YSA Membership</li> <li>• Others:</li> </ul>	<p>Membership introductions for new attendees.</p>	<p>Members Present: Ann Adams, Ruth Ayen, Sallie Brothers, Sam Bastien, Jim Connor, Jim Davis, Elizabeth Kirnie, Lynn Pietroski, Karen Richmond, Bill Serafin, Joanne Sevick, Patrick Turbett, Dianne Wilby</p> <p>New Attendees:</p> <p>Meeting called to Order: 3:39 p.m.</p>
<p><b>Minute Approval –</b>  <b>1-08-08 Minutes</b></p>		<p>Karen Richmond motioned to approve the 1/08/08 minutes.</p> <p>Ann Adams 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion</p> <p>All other members present were in favor.</p>
<p><b>Summer</b>  <b>Employment</b>  <b>Overview &amp;</b>  <b>Information</b></p>	<p>Legislator Sam Burns had requested that this board collect some information regarding Summer Youth Employment as he feels that not as many youth are being served now compared to in the past.</p> <p>The packets handed out had information in them regarding the number of youth served in the past 10 years as well as information on how and what materials the summer youth program uses to administer the summer youth program.</p> <p>It was reported that the WIA funding may see a 20 to 25% cut in their in 2008 Allocation.</p> <p>Jim Davis reported that the TANF funding should stay the same. If it wasn't for TANF funding last year the Summer Youth Employment Program would have been hit very hard.</p>	<p>Jim Connor had put together some packets of information regarding summer youth employment. Jim Connor handed out the packets. There was quite a bit of information for people to go over. Jim briefly went over what the packets had in them and asked that people take them home to look them over. It was agreed that this item would be kept on the agenda for next month's meeting. This would give people the opportunity to look over the information provided and bring questions to the next meeting.</p>

	<p>The Summer Youth Employment Program serves all types of youth, from the challenged to the very gifted. Part of the problem in 2007 was staffing issues. Each counselor had a caseload of approximately 70 youth.</p> <p>Patrick Turbett asked how decisions are made regarding cuts? Jim Connor stated he believed Federal WIA funds are being cut across the board.</p> <p>Legislator Mr. Turbett will bring Legislator Mr. Burns a packet of the information for Mr. Connor and then would like to bring discussion regarding this back to the next YSA meeting.</p>	
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<b>Program Updates</b>	<p>WINGS is up and running in 2 schools. Some of the smaller schools would be interested in looking at WINGS but felt they may not be able to afford it. WINGS representatives stated that they will be looking at working with the smaller schools to see if they can work something out so the smaller schools could possible share the cost and receive their services as well.</p> <p>The WINGS Program has already received a lot of requests in both of the school districts they are currently serving.</p> <p>After last YSA Board meeting the S.T.A.R. Program sent a letter to the Department of Social Services stating they would be pulling their program out of St. Lawrence County at the end of this year.</p> <p>There was some discussion among the board members regarding the funding the Board of Legislators contributes toward youth programs and even though S.T.A.R is no longer going to be offered in St. Lawrence County after the end of the year (August 31, 2008) the Youth Service Advisory Board members would like to see the funding that was used for S.T.A.R. continue for at least one more year. This would give the schools in St. Lawrence County the option of using one of the other youth programs available. i.e. WINGS</p> <p>Some of the Youth Service Advisory Board members that are school personnel stated they are working on their budgets for the next school year now and it would be very beneficial to know if the funds for the youth program were going to continue for one more year now rather than later when they already have their budgets done.</p>	<p>Potsdam and Massena worked out their funding hurdles for the WINGS Program and WINGS is now up and running in both Potsdam and Massena Schools. It was requested that WINGS bring their updates to the next meeting.</p> <p>Sam Bastien motioned to approve the recommendation for the funding used for youth programming continues through 2009.</p> <p>Ann Adams 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion to approve a recommendation for the funding used for youth programming to continue through 2009.</p> <p>All remaining YSA members present were in favor.</p>

<b>Evaluation</b>		WINGS will bring their evaluation piece to the next meeting to share with the members.
<b>New Business 4-9-08 Meeting Change</b>	The April 9, 2008 meeting needs to be rescheduled.	The rescheduling of the April 9, 2008 meeting will be decided at the March 12, 2008 meeting.
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<b>Old Business  Grant Announcement</b>	<p>The Children's Institute invites school districts, public agencies, and nonprofit 501 (c) (3) organizations to submit proposals for funding the implementation of Primary Mental Health Project (Primary Project) in New York State. It is anticipated that approximately \$200,000 will be available to fund new programs during the 2008-2009 school year. Funds may not be used for the expansion of programs within a current building or to continue a program in a school that is funded during the 2007-2008 school with other resources. The complete Request for Proposal may be downloaded from the Internet:</p> <p><a href="http://www.childrensinstitute.net/download/?file=Primary_Project_RFP_2008-2009.pdf">http://www.childrensinstitute.net/download/?file=Primary_Project_RFP_2008-2009.pdf</a></p> <p>Application Due Date: March 14, 2008 Notification of Award: May 15, 2008</p>	
<b>Next Meeting</b> March 12, 2008 HSC 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor Con-Rm. Canton 3:30pm-5:00pm		
<b>Meeting Adjourned</b>		5:02 p.m.

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