Youth Services Committee March 22, 2010 Minutes

Attendance: D. Cassidy, C. Nash, J. Garner, C. Quinit, C. Rubino, J. Pinkus, Staff: M. Piccerillo, S. Bogdanski – Bourdon

Call to Order: 7:20 pm by M. Piccerillo, a quorum was determined. C. Quinit lead the Pledge of Allegiance and M. Piccerillo reviewed the fire exits. The committee welcomed new member Jason Pinkus.

Youth and Social Services Report: M. Piccerillo reported that the Department’s budget presentation is Thursday March 25, 2010. There is no increase in her budget and she did request the five hours that were taken from a staff position last year be reinstated. The Department continues to work hard to service a growing number of clients with the same or less resources. Having interns this year has been very helpful. The STEPS program has a waiting list for the first time ever. There are only twelve slots available and about ten people were on the waiting list. March 23, 2010 is the Teen Influencer training on prescription drug abuse. All committee members are invited to attend. Cheshire Youth Services is cosponsoring an anti bullying presentation by “Screaming with Pleasure” with Prospect Youth Services on March 31, 2010.

SPF SIG Report: S. Bourdon reported that 15 people attended the Taylor Hooton Foundation presentation on March 4, 2010. The Youth Survey will be administered at Dodd Middle School on March 22nd and 23rd and at the high school on March 24th and 25th. Students from Health and PE classes will be surveyed. Parents have been notified and there was an opt out option for those who did not wish for their children to be surveyed. S. Bourdon also reported that she has been working with the youth video sub committee on the Alcohol Awareness Week project. The Human Services committee had 35 entries into their logo and slogan contest.

Nominating Sub Committee: J. Garner is the only remaining member of the sub committee and a slate of officers needs to be presented at next meeting. C. Nash and D. Cassidy volunteered to be members of the subcommittee. The members will contact each current member to see if they would like to be Chair, Vice Chair or Secretary.

Youth Video Sub Committee: C. Quinit reported that there was a meeting this afternoon to review the video so far but there was not a quorum. S. Bourdon stayed to review parts of the video. The premiere is April 15, 2010 and members are asking for a $5.00 donation to go to the Cheshire Fuel Bank.


J. Garner made a motion to adjourn, J. Pinkus seconded. Meeting adjourned 7:50pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Sarah Bogdanski Bourdon