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Madison Youth and Family Services Board
Minutes February 2, 2010

In attendance: C. Richer-Fanelli, R. Klaskin, A. Plummer, M. Cohn, L. Hagan, M.P. Lamberti, L. Burzenski, K. Dess, C.J. Gladstone, A. Goldberg, L. Santry
Staff: D. Melillo, L. Castrilli
Absent: S. Zaccagnino, S. Sadowski

CHAIRPERSON'S COMMENTS

The chairperson opened the meeting at 7:02 pm and welcomed Al Goldberg, our new liaison to the Board of Selectmen.

MINUTES

Motion to approve the January minutes made by R. Klaskin and seconded by L. Hagan. Minutes were unanimously approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Water bill may go over budget,

Motion to approve the Treasurers Report was made by C.J. Gladstone and seconded by K. Dess. Motion approved.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

STUDENT REPORT

- DHHS is going to sponsor a Relay for Life this year and the organizational meeting was just held.
- Course selection for next year is due tomorrow (Feb. 3, 2010)
- Home Coming Dance was held, after being canceled twice and there were no issues.
- Many field trips are being planned. The Marketing class is going to Macy's The AP Lit class and Humanity class are going to the Metropolitan in NYC.
- An organizational meeting was held for the Penguin Plunge.
- Showboat, a talent show, is going to be held at the high school. All the money collected from ticket sales will be donated to a charity.
- Marking period 4 is beginning.
- The Band is getting ready for its concert.
- Band and chorus are going to the Regional Festival of Band and Chorus in Mass.
- All junior and senior students can now qualify for the Math and Chem Olympiads.
- There have been a lot of rumors about the sexual assault incident that happened with the 8th grade. It was never formally addressed in school. The reaction of a lot of students was shock.

JOB RECLASSIFICATION INITIATIVE

- Kathleen and David came up with recommended changes for the tool and amendments to the job reclassification initiative and sent it to Rita Umile.
- Robyn, David and Kathleen will meet to work on the initiative before they meet with Rita again.
- Kathleen will set up another meeting with Rita.

FY 2010-2011 BUDGET UPDATE

- Sue. Z and Robyn K. were at the budget hearing in support of David.
- David made a presentation to the Boards of Selectmen and Finance and large discussion took place about the Senior Center New position. It was fairly well received.
- Al G. said the budget is a three step process: 1. Convince Board of Selectmen to vote on the proposed Budget, 2. then the proposed budget goes to the Board of Finance at the end of March and 3. on to the Madison voters on May 19. The MYFS Board needs to convince the Board of Selectmen that the new Senior position is what is best for the town and the seniors.

EDUCATING BOARD OF SELECTMENT AND FINANCE OF OUR NEEDS

- Create a summary sheet
 - Youth service needs
 - Senior Center needs full time director for seniors.
 - David needs to oversee third party reimbursements
 - David has new grant to work on
 - Discussion on how to deal with issues that come up outside school and how to represent to students.
 - Need more parent support programs
 - MYFS Board is going to collaborate with the Senior Commission about the new senior position.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- Domestic Violence Task Force
 - Guilford and Madison are joining together to work with boys and girls on relationships.
 - This task force is in the early stages.
 - Police Officers will be involved with the task force and will work on self esteem issues, self respect
- Future Assets/M.A.D.E. presentations
 - M.A.D.E. website is on line
 - World Café will be sponsored by M.A.D.E. on April 21 at Savoy Tea.
 - Asset Training for the MYFS Board
 - Results of survey will be presented to the Board of Selectmen, Board of Education and Police

ADJOURN

A motion by K. Dess and seconded by L. Hagan was made to adjourn the meeting at 8:58 pm. Motion accepted.