

**MINUTES**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
**Northville Youth Network Commission**

**DATE:**           **October 10, 2023**  
**TIME:**           **8AM**  
**PLACE:**         **Northville Community Center**

1. CALL TO ORDER:         Meeting was called to order by Marianne Barry at 8 AM.
  
2. ROLL CALL:             *Present:* Marianne Barry, Michael Kelly, Amy Knoth, Caarin Kogut, Danielle Pine, Beth Santer, Sherrie Winfield  
*Absent:* Cyndy Jankowski, Andrew Krenz  
*Staff Members:* Amy Prevo, Kerri Ann Sondreal

2. Approval of Meeting Minutes  
Moved by Michael Kelly to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on September 12, 2023. Seconded by Beth Santer. Motion passed.

3. Program Report – Director Prevo

\*In September, the annual Wellness Wednesday Kick-off Kona & Community event was held with over 100 participants.

\*In recognition of Suicide Prevention Awareness Month, Northville CARES hosted a screening of Death is Not the Answer, a film by Keith Famie, who was also in attendance to introduce the film. Following the film was a panel discussion moderated by Chuck Gaidica that included panelists representing family member survivors of suicide, first responders, behavioral health clinicians, and students. Resource tables were available from a variety of behavioral health agencies. Approximately 60 people were in attendance and the feedback received was very positive.

\*This month, NYN facilitated a 6.5-hour training session of Youth Mental Health First Aid (YMHFA) with a cohort of nine participants that included Northville parents and teachers, as well as individuals from local non-profits that serve Northville youth. Northville Public Schools (NPS) staff can earn CEU's toward their professional development/certification for completing the YMHFA training.

\*NYN presented to over 50 parents at the Amerman Elementary School PTA meeting to promoted NYN programs and services.

\*NYN attended the NPS Health Advisory Board meeting to discuss and provide input on the use of social and emotional learning assessment tools.

\*Meeting held with Laura Reiners, the Director of Community Relations for Growth Works, to discuss our partnership with their organization and our process for referring youth to their agency for services.

\*NYN also met with Darby Hoppenstedt, the new Director of Community Partnerships & Wellness for NPS, to share information about our programs and services as well as the history and nature of our partnership. This newly created position at NPS aims to leverage a variety of resources within the community at-large to enhance the well-being of students and families in Northville.

4. Financial Report – Director Prevo

\*Northville Twp will vote on budget later in October. NYN is level funded and fund balance will be depleted in approximately 2026/27. Conversations to start about future budgeting and a redeveloped funding model.

5. Liaison Reports

- Northville Township – Cyndy Jankowski  
Construction delays on skate park with completion expected in November.  
Dedication will likely be early spring.
  
- City of Northville – Andrew Krenz  
No report
  
- Northville Public Schools – Beth Santer  
Planning underway for Parent Camp in February. Therapy Dog program is running smoothly with handler/dog teams at almost every school.

6. Unfinished Business

Discussion of resource guide on website and it's a merits as a continued resource to the community

7. New Business

ADJOURN: The meeting was adjourned at 8:38 AM.

NEXT MEETING:           Tuesday, November 14, 2023  
                                  8:00AM  
                                  Northville Community Center