

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

**DATE:** September 10, 2024

**TIME:** 8:00AM

**LOCATION:** Northville Community Center, 303 W. Main Street, Northville, MI

**CONTACT:** Amy Prevo, [aprevo@twp.northville.mi.us](mailto:aprevo@twp.northville.mi.us), 248-344-1618

**CALL TO ORDER:** Meeting was called to order by Michael Kelly at 8:01am

**ROLL Call:** Present: Marianne Barry, Caarin Kogut, Cyndy Jankowski, Michael Kelly, Danielle Pine, Andrew Krenz, Sherrie Winfield, Amy Knoth, Beth Santer (8:20)

Staff Members: Amy Prevo, Kerri Ann Sondreal

Guests: None

**Approval of Meeting Minutes**

Moved by Marianne Barry to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on June 11, 2024. Seconded by Cyndy Jankowsk. Motion passed.

**Program Report-Director Prevo**

- Provided two Cohorts of Teen Talk with 7 attendees and Project Respect with 10 attendees.
- One of Teen Talks focused on substance abuse education and prevention which included a presentation by a public health educator and also a certified action specialist from Brighton Center for Recovery.
- Three Youth Assistance Program participants were referred to Growth Works which only services students in Wayne County.
- Oakland Community Health Network offers services and resources including Prime For Life (a nationally recognized evidenced based substance abuse program). OCHN has offered this 4-20 hr. program to NYN free of charge to our Youth Assistance Program participants and agreed to service both Oakland and Wayne County residents. Cohort to start in November (similar to Teen Talk but with a foundation of substance abuse)
- All went well with Camp Hillside and Camp Meads Mill: 81% of participants had an IEP/504 or recommended by school staff.

**Reimagining Wellness Program**

- Typically working well for elementary but not as much for MS/HS.
- Wellness Wed. for elementary fill up almost immediately. Discussion of time for WW a bit later than 4pm which take place at the Community Center.
- Working w/ middle school staff to develop pertinent topics and offer on site after school programs.
- NYN exploring NHS partner with Wellness Club (Sabrina Columbo-staff lead and student run) and Diana social and emotional learning counselor.
- Bridgette/Kerri Ann-offer a 3 week program for all students but targeted for freshman "How to manage stress (mindfulness/feelings thought patterns). 1-2 times October if well received also in Spring

## **General Operations**

- Family Center of Grosse Pointe which is similar to NYN contacted Prevo to discuss and learn more about current NYN connections between NHS and NYN regarding student behavior/discipline issues.

## **Expanding Social Media Connections and Outreach**

- Prevo has been working with Northville Township IT and Communications team to discuss new marketing strategies. Exploring potential social media outreach options via different platforms. Discussed youth group spearheading or helping to explore and potentially assist with projects in this area.
- Discussed potential Intern exploration.

## **Youth Support Services**

- Reviewed summer data

## **Financial Report**

- Prevo is in the budget process w/township.
- Nov 18 to present 2025 budget.
- Not much has changed for 2025 budget but some of federal opioid funding will be allocated to NYN.

## **Liaison Reports**

### Township/Jankowski

- June honored baseball state champions
- Phase 1 Legacy park trail completed phase 2-3 under construction

### City/Krenz

- Downs Process,-demolition complete. River Park (daylighting river has begun).
- Ford Field playground design, full access w/ help from Living and Learning Center
- Farmers Market under contract at the previous Ford Site

### NPS/Santer

- Young 5's program off to a good start
- NPS enrollment is strong
- Restorative practices training continues
- Color Run on Sept. 23 at NHS at 11am
- 4 seats open on school board-1 is an incumbent-public forum on Sept 11.

## **Unfinished Business**

- Strategic plan committee members-to meet w/ Prevo briefly after meeting

## **New Business**

- M. Kelly was contacted by 2 outside groups for info on youth programs in Northville including *Stand up to Bullying*-Bloomfield Hills and Erin Einhorn NBC reporter and author on effective school discipline.
- Kelly will connect group(s) with Prevo to follow up and share NYN best practices.

**ADJOURN:** Motion Jankowski, 2nd Amy Knoth. The meeting was adjourned at 9:09 AM

**NEXT MEETING:** Tuesday, October 8, 2024. @ 8AM. Northville Community Center