

Bristol Youth Commission
Wednesday, September 9, 2020 at 6:15 pm
First Floor Meeting Room, City Hall, 111 N. Main St, Bristol, CT, 06010
Special Meeting Minutes

Item 1 – Call to Order

- a. Chairman Matthew Gotowala called the September 9, 2020 Youth Commission special meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance at 6:15 p.m.

b. **In Attendance:**

Ryan Broderick, Comm.	Dr. Corey Nagle, Secretary
Stephen Bynum, Youth/Comnty. Spvr.	Scott Rosado, Liaison
Officer Matthew Gotowala, Chairman	Renee Singleton, Comm.
Karen Hintz, Comm.	Noah Taylor, Comm.
Robin Klug, Rec. Secretary	Lance Washington, Comm.
Dr. Joshua Medeiros, Superintendent	

Absent: Deborah Ahl, Vice Chairwoman, Tanya Ledesma, Comm., Ramon Peters Comm.

Item 2 – Approval of the minutes from the August 12, 2020, Youth Commission meeting

- a. **On a MOTION by** Comm. Broderick **and SECONDED** Comm. Singleton **by it was so moved to approve the minutes of the August 12, 2020 special meeting.** Following a unanimous voice vote Chairman Gotowala declared the motion carried.

Item 3 – Public Participation

There was no public participation.

Item 4 – Superintendent’s Report

- a. Superintendent Medeiros reported there was nothing of note regarding the year to date department financials. There will be a special agenda item for the October Youth Commission regarding Master Planning, discussion followed.

Item 5 – Youth and Community Services Supervisor’s Report

- a. Supervisor Bynum commended the Youth & Family Coordinators for setting up and staffing counseling like services in response to COVID-19, discussion followed.

Item 6 – Old Business

- a. Following a discussion of the changes to the Youth Recognition Awards, it was decided the new location of Page Park Pavilion should be continued and the time moved back to May, going forward.

Item 7 – New Business

- a. Jenelle Howard and Thomas Fulton presented the accomplishments, programs and initiatives over the past year, discussion followed.
- b. October 23 – 31, 2020 is Red Ribbon week, an initiative highlighting the importance of being drug free. In celebration the B.E.S.T will be hosting virtual webinars, a PSA challenge, a Pledge to Be Drug Free drive and more, discussion followed.
- c. The 2020 Holiday Giving program will be facilitated by Kyana Anderson with help from Martha Bravo. Last year over 257 children were served and an increased need is anticipated. New donor recruitment is beginning now, discussion followed.
- d. There was no New Business by Commissioners.

Item 8 – Adjournment

- a. **On a MOTION by Secretary Nagle and SECONDED by Comm. Washington it was so moved to adjourn the Youth Commission meeting at 6:45 p.m. and it was unanimously approved.**

Respectfully submitted,

Robin Klug
Youth Commission Recording Secretary

cc: City Clerk