

HOLLISTON YOUTH & FAMILY ADVISORY COUNCIL AGENDA

October 19, 2020 at 7:00 PM via Zoom meeting

Advisory Council Members Present: Jen Lieberman, Lynne Rahim, Peggy Payne, John Drohan, Jean Vazza, Alison Quinans, Kate Cunningham, Stephanie Farrell, Brian Sahajian

Absent: Kathy Cummings

YFS Staff in Attendance: Jackie Winer, Kirsten Rancourt, 20/21 Inters: Carrie Buddington, Will Sullivan

Opening Statement: Remote participation; Roll Call; Recording will be posted

-Motion to open the meeting: Lynne Rahim

Second: Kate Cunningham

-Motion to accept the September 2020 Minutes: Jean Vazza

Second: Lynne Rahim

General Business:

1. Rent and Mortgage Relief Update. First round of funding completed. Boston Fox 25 helped to get the word out. HYFS was able to provide \$22,247 in rent and mortgage assistance to nine families, all of whom had Covid19 related needs and were single family homes with dependent children in the home. Needs included furloughed applicants and those with family/childcare needs.
 - Possibility to do another round of funding rests with the Selectboard. HYFS will recommend that the Selectboard support this.
 - The board voted unanimously to bring forward a funding request for \$10,000 for a grant writer to write a grant for the Drug-free Communities Grant.
2. Update on Community Action Fund.
Applaud Jackie on seamless management/facilitation of funds.
3. HDAAC Update
Federal DFC Grant. Now is the time to vote on the grant. Most likely to be discussed in the December town meeting. We are serving as a sponsor for the grant at no cost to our board.
4. Updates from Student Advisory Board Members
Students reported that they are happy to be back in school 2-3 days per week.
5. Recruitment for new board member.
The board hopes to add 1-2 members to fill seats. Board members are encouraged to identify possible candidates.

Next Meeting: Monday, November 16, 2020 via Zoom

Respectfully Submitted By:

Peggy Payne

Secretary, HYFS

