

## **Wethersfield Youth Advisory Board Meeting November 4, 2004**

### **Members in Attendance:**

Maria A. Calleri, Steve Cook, Matthew Daskal, Sharon DiGioia-Daskal, Caitlin Drake, John Mullin, Debra Hammer, Barbara Ruhe, Nancy Stilwell, Kristin Zeller, Heather Zottola

### **The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Debra Hammer.**

The [minutes from September 2004](#) were reviewed and accepted.

### **Youth Advisory Board:**

1. Corn fest was rained out.
2. Pamphlets were made and will be distributed.

### **Department of Youth Services Update:**

1. New worker fits in well.
2. Grant - Early Childhood Intervention and Assessment Barbara Ruhe and Heather Zottola volunteered to attend two meetings in January or February 2005.
3. AmeriCares Homefront - May 7 - home repair. We need a team of 20-40 people to volunteer and help. Caitlin Drake will sign up students at the high school. We need \$2,000. Debra Hammer will contact Home Depot, Lowes etc. to try to elicit donations.
4. CREC - 3 out of 6 students from summer program have jobs.
5. Nancy Stilwell is interested in getting Michael Pritchard to come speak. He talks about raising children and understanding them.

### **Underage Drinking Taskforce**

1. Jane Johnson did a needs assessment survey of students and the results were alarming. Task Force was formed as a result. They would like to become a subcommittee of the Youth Advisory Board. They have \$6314 in budget money.

### **Youth in Government**

1. Mock vote at Charles Wright with 5th and 6th graders was conducted. Guy Gilcrest and Nancy Wyman participated. Students voted November 1 with Kerry getting a majority of the votes 85%-15%.

### **Other Business**

1. Steve Cook reports that the Keane Foundation program began at the middle school one day per week until 5:00pm. The program includes sports and computers. Meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.