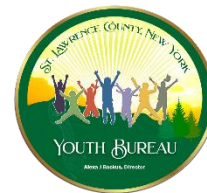


SLC Youth Advisory Board Meeting Minutes  
Thursday, February 24, 3:00 pm Via Zoom  
Meeting called to order at 3:03 pm



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### *Attendance*

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- **Attendees:** Adam Simmons, Amber Sullivan, Casey Canell, Joanne Sevick, Zachary Monroe, Alaina Goodrich, Alexa Backus, Cole Siebles, and Rebekah Zuhlsdorf.
  - **Guest:** Lindsey Best, and Tricia Snyder
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### *Minutes*

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- **Minutes Approval:** January 27, 2022, YAB Minutes  
Motion to approve by Amber Sullivan, second by Joanne Sevick, Motion passed
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### *Youth Bureau Report*

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#### **Monthly BYD (Bureau of Youth Development)**

- Met on Tuesday, January 18, 2022
- YDP Annual Report (2021) were due February 18<sup>th</sup>
  - Received all and submitted to OCFS

#### **WPBS TV-Watertown**

- TV interview conducted on Thursday, January 20, 2022 on cyberbullying and suicide prevention
  - Interview should air sometime in May
- As of January 21, 2022, the WPBS grant was denied
  - WPBS still interested in moving forward with suicide prevention initiative with our Youth Committee teens to lead a documentary

#### **Franklin St. Lawrence County Teacher Educator Council**

- Spoke during February 15<sup>th</sup> meeting via Zoom
  - Originally was scheduled for March 17<sup>th</sup> was rescheduled

#### **Valentine's Card Drive**

- Successful card drive with over 1500 cards received and disbursed
    - North Country Now did a follow up story
    - WWNY interview with Hermon-Dekalb 5<sup>th</sup> graders aired on Valentine's day
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### *New Business*

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#### **NACo (National Association of Counties) – I Love My County Because Art Contest**

- Wonderful opportunity to bring art, youth, and county government together
- Deadline for submission- May 1, 2022
  - More info at [NACo.ORG/ART](http://NACo.ORG/ART)

#### **SLC Suicide Awareness Coalition**

- Program planning for May-National Mental Health Awareness Month and September for National Suicide Awareness Walk

#### **Youth Committee Update**

- Youth Committee met on Sunday, February 6, 2022 at 4:00 pm
- Next Meeting Sunday, March 20<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 pm
  - 4 teens serving on YC with 12 more teens participating consistently

- 15 others expressed interest in joining but no follow up yet
- 10 schools represented – Colton Pierrepont, Gouverneur, Potsdam, canton, Heuvelton, Hermon-Dekalb, Morristown, Harrisville, Massena, Lisbon
  - If you know any students who would be interested advise them to get in contact with the Youth Bureau
- QPR Training with Ed Sachs with Reachout
  - 16 students participated on Monday, February 21<sup>st</sup> at 10 am
  - Well attended and very beneficial
- US Attorney's Office presented
  - Cyber Extortion, Cyber Safety, and Suicide Prevention
    - Members will participate in a Teen-Led Campaign with a 2 prong message
      - "Don't Do It"
      - "You've Got a Place to Turn-There's Help"
    - Contest to Launch soon
      - Will encourage students to submit Art and Video messages
    - Teens to facilitate discussion, presentations, and teacher support materials.
    - Diligent recruitment for Youth Committee Members
- YDP Partner Meeting
  - Will have a zoom meeting to review 2022 timelines, typical deadlines, and anticipated paperwork/reports
  - Meeting within the next few weeks
- 2022 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Trash Dash
  - Anticipated date for Saturday, April 30, 2022
  - Global Youth Service Weekend
  - Adam and Alexa starting planning process
  - Travis Jordan, Reality Check Coordinator with Seaway Valley Prevention, would like to partner with us
  - Will apply for Hershey's Foundation heart Warming Grant again this year
  - Board members participation is appreciated at site grounds to provide safety rules and guidelines
    - Alaina volunteered to help at Massena site
    - Lindsay volunteered to help at Gouverneur site
      - Please advise if you are available to help

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*Action Items*

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- Submit upcoming events to the Youth Bureau by Monday, February 28, 2022 for March newsletter content
- March Youth Committee Meeting
  - Sunday, March 20<sup>th</sup> at 4:00pm
    - Email Alexa if you would like the Zoom link
- Connecting St. Lawrence County youth Services Quarter 2 Meeting
  - Tuesday, April 12<sup>th</sup> at 2:00pm

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*Next Meeting*

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- Thursday, March 31, 2022 at 3:00pm

**Meeting adjourned at 3:28 pm**