



Chairman
Mikayla Bozym

TOWN OF LEDYARD

Youth & Social Services Board

Meeting Minutes - Draft Minutes

741 Colonel Ledyard Highway
Ledyard, Connecticut 06339

Special Meeting

Thursday, December 7, 2023

5:30 PM

Council Chambers - Hybrid Format

REMOTE MEETING INFORMATION

Join Zoom Meeting

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I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Bozym called the meeting to order at 5:45 p.m. at the Council Chambers, Town Hall Annex Building.

II. ROLL CALL

Present	Community-at-Large Representative Maria Nott Community-at-Large Representative Charlene Rand Chairman Mikayla E. Bozym Private Youth Agency Representative Lisa Smith
Excused	School System Representative Heather Shipley
Absent	Police Department Representative Dan Grimm Under Age 21 Representative Mackenzie Hope

In addition, the following were present:

Kristen Chapman - Social Services Coordinator

Kate Sikorski - Youth Services Coordinator

Karen Goetchius - Administrator Supervisor Youth Services

Town Council Chairman Rodriguez

III. RESIDENTS & PROPERTY OWNERS COMMENTS

None

IV. MEMBER COMMENTS

None

V. REPORTS

1. Youth Services Report

**Youth & Social Services
Report for Ledyard Youth Services
October 2023**

JRB (Juvenile Review Board): 4 open cases

- 1 case for review 11/13/23
- 2 cases for closure 11/13/23
- 1 case for case management only (open till December 2023)

Chronically Absent Students: LYS Supervisor met with Jodi Davis on 10/6/23 and had a discussion on support for Chronically Absent Students and community diversion.

Counseling:**Case Load Summary**

Kate- 18

Sara-9

Allison-10

Joanne-9

Total families: 46 active cases

Waiting List: 0

Referral Sources of current clients:

- **Parent/ Guardian referrals: 17**
- **Self: 5**
- **School referrals: 21**
 - o GFS/JWL-4
 - o GHS-3
 - o LMS-6
 - o LHS-8

Groups:

5 Social Skills Lunch Bunches running at GFS/JWL - 18 participants total.

- **2- Kindergarten grps**
- **1- First grade grp**
- **1- Second grade grp**
- **1- Third grade group**

Interns:

- **Currently have three URI MFT interns- hours are on track for completion in April 2024**
- **Julia Driscoll is a master's Student (Human Service and Counseling) at POST University- started 10/24/23- 600 hours in 9 months**

ARPA Funded Clinical Position:

- **Pat Frost-Associate Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist hired for up to 16**

hrs./week.

- No cases currently

Donation Fund (\$5 per office session charge)

- Current Amount of Donations: \$106.86

2. Social Services Report

Report for Ledyard Social Services
September/October

Food Pantry Statistics

September 2023

Total Client Visits - 79

Total # of Eligible Clients Served - 130

Unduplicated Households Served - 51

October 2023

Total Client Visits - 93

Total # of Eligible Clients Served - 146

Unduplicated Households Served - 61

Total New Clients September - 4

Total New Clients October - 6

Total New Clients 2023 YTD - 33

Referrals - September/October 2023

211 - 1

Elder Protective Services - 1

LICEAF - 3

State Social Services - 3

TVCCA Energy Assistance Intake - 23

TVCCA Other - 1

Social Services Account Balances

Linda C. Davis Food Pantry - \$106,935.67

LYS Enrichment Grant - Parks & Rec Scholarships - \$3540.82

LYS Enrichment Grant - Parks & Recreation Scholarships ARPA - \$0.00

Miscellaneous Assistance - \$4990.26

VI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 1. MOTION** to approve the Youth & Social Services Board regular meeting minutes of September 19, 2023.

RESULT: APPROVED AND SO DECLARED

MOVER: Charlene Rand

SECONDER: Maria Nott

AYE 4 Nott Rand Bozym Smith

EXCUSED 1 Shipley

ABSENT 2 Grimm Hope

VII. OLD BUSINESS

1. Holiday Programs - 2024

Ms. Chapman stated the Stuff-A-Cruiser event for Holiday Meals is Saturday, December 16th from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Village Market. Meal bags will be available for purchase for \$20 per bag. Ms. Chapman stated she is anticipating providing 90-95 households with meals this holiday season. There are 107 children registered and matched for the Adopt-A-Family gift program.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

1. MOTION to approve the Youth & Social Services 2024 meeting schedule.

RESULT: APPROVED AND SO DECLARED

MOVER: Lisa Smith

SECONDER: Charlene Rand

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IX. ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Duzy moved the meeting be adjourned, seconded by Ms. Nott

The meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

VOTE: 4-0 Approved and so declared

Respectively Submitted,

Chairman Bozym
Youth & Social Services Board

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