



# TOWN OF LEDYARD

## Youth & Social Services Board

### Meeting Minutes - Draft Minutes

741 Colonel Ledyard Highway  
Ledyard, Connecticut 06339

Chairman  
Mikayla Bozym

#### Special Meeting

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Thursday, December 7, 2023

5:30 PM

Council Chambers - Hybrid Format

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#### 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 sated 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

**AYE**            4    Nott Rand Bozym Smith

**EXCUSED**    1    Shipley

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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,

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Chairman Bozym  
Youth & Social Services Board

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