

NORTHVILLE YOUTH ASSISTANCE COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
January 10, 2017

Present Michele Fecht, Mindy Herrmann, Amy Knoth, Suzanne Lynn, Chuck Murdock, Marilyn Price, Lauren Romeo, Libby Smith

Absent Deanna Barash, Director Sue Campbell

Meeting Called to Order

The meeting was called to order at 8:07 by Chair Libby Smith

The minutes from the December 2016 meeting were approved as read.

A revised agenda for this meeting was presented reflecting items to be tabled until next month due to Director Campbell's absence.

Election of Officers

Chair Libby Smith presented the following slate of officers for 2017: Chair Michele Fecht, Vice Chair Chuck Murdock, Finance Chair Amy Knoth. There were no nominations from the floor.

Marilyn Price made a motion to accept the slate as presented. Suzanne Lynn seconded. The slate was approved unanimously. Libby Smith agreed to take minutes for the 2017 meetings.

Officers were thanked for stepping up to their positions.

Budget Review – tabled until February

Adoption of Goals – Chair Fecht explained that the goals were presented to City Council on January 9, 2017. Chuck Murdock mentioned using the format that included the evaluation piece would have been a good idea to demonstrate and remind others we are evaluating the performance of each goal. Marilyn Price commented that the format that was used was consistent with the City Council template.

In a discussion about goals, Mindy Herrmann suggested reaching out to building administrators on a regular basis for input on student life as they see it at the schools. Different variations of this were discussed: holding meetings at school buildings, having a subcommittee meet with administrators and report back to the Commission, inviting administrators to a Commission meeting on a regular basis. We also discussed meeting with School Social Workers. Commission to follow up with Director Campbell to discuss further.

Libby Smith made a motion to adopt the 2017 goals as presented. Mindy Herrmann seconded and the goals were adopted unanimously.

Bylaw Review – no changes were made

Policy and Procedure Review – no changes were made

Year End Statistics – tabled until February

Liaison Reports

- a. **Northville Township** – Mindy Herrmann confirmed that the sale of the 5 Mile & Beck property was finalized. While there will be some changes including hiring a different commercial developer, the Board was pleased with the revenue (currently earmarked to help with the Seven Mile clean up).
- b. **Northville Public Schools – no report**

- c. **City of Northville** – Marilyn Price confirmed that the City Council completed the Goal process at the meeting on January 9, 2017. She also announced that there will be a meeting on January 12 at 6:30 to discuss the progress with the Strategic Planning Committee.

Old Business –

- a. **Friends of NYA** – While we originally were going to table this until February, Chuck Murdock reminded the Commission that he was the one that was going to research the feasibility of creating a 501©3. He explained that as he thought about it, more discussion was needed. This led to a lengthy discussion of different options that NYA could pursue to raise funds. An event co-hosted by Main Street League was talked about as was pursuing financial support from PTA groups within the district. Concern was expressed over not creating another organization as that seems overwhelming to community members. Overall, it was a great idea-starter discussion that will resume at the February meeting.

New Business - none

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 am.

**The next Commission meeting is Tuesday, February 14 at 8 a.m. at the
Northville Community Center.**