

Ridgefield Youth Commission  
Minutes  
September 21, 2011

Attending: Frank Orzechowski, Jack Orzechowski, Denise Qualey, Ruth Leibowitz, John Katz, Sarah Stark-Garner, Leslie Brown, Mark Robinson, Marcia Sloat, Maria Markus, Sean Sulli, Jeff Bonistalli, Lauren Mary Gotimer, Will Masters, Linda Caponetti, John Lionetti

**Approve Minutes**

**Meeting**

\*Welcome back from our summer break

\*Welcome Mark Robinson - who is joining the meeting to learn more about the Youth Commission

\*Will Masters updated the group that student Hugh Lasberg has moved to boarding school and will not be available to attend moving forward

**\* Inside Out Players Update**

Ruth introduced Sarah Stark-Garner who will be leading the Inside Out Players this year. Sarah will be applying for a \$5000. Pepsi grant - the grant requires a voting process that will be from November 1<sup>st</sup> to November 30<sup>th</sup> and she will get more information out to the group on how that works -

She is looking for ways to reach out to young people that may be interested in joining - she will be finding ways to advertise at the high school and middle school to get the word out.

**\*Update on Barn Renovation**

The architectural drawing of the Barn renovation was reviewed by the commission and Laurie Scholl from Town Hall. One addition suggested was an internal window on the new office wall to increase supervision.

The group also discussed possible a cement floor as an option.

Habitat for Humanity has a building on Rt 7 with gently used household items we could look into for supplies.

John Katz will ask Marty Hieser owner of Service Pro Painters if he would donate or discount painting the Barn.

**Yes 2 Youth Fundraiser Update**

The second annual Y2Y event will be February 16<sup>th</sup> at the Ridgefield Community Center Lounsbury House - Anyone interested in joining the planning committee please contact Linda, Lauren or Denise.

Next Meeting October 5, 2011