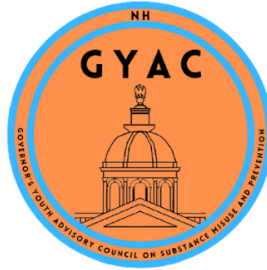


NH Governor's Youth Advisory Council On Substance Misuse and Prevention



GYAC Meeting Minutes

21 October 2023

11:00 a.m - 1:00 p.m

Attendance: Michael Blair, Miles Borne, Summer Campbell, Logan Dufresne, Tara Kurup, Gavin McCrevan, Mia Mozzoni, Lily O'Brien, Lauren Paige, Vedant Patel, Luisa Pelletier, Brenda Sacramento-Cortes, Narayan Sajeev, James Thibault, Vedhsai Thriveedi, Kaylee Truong, Brandon Yeung

Call to Order: Lily O'Brien called the meeting to order at 11:05 AM.

1. Welcome and Introductions

- a. Members were given red ribbon stickers in support of Red Ribbon Week.

2. Election Speeches

- a. Candidates for Executive Board positions (including Chair, Vice Chair, and Executive Officer) delivered their speeches.
- b. A vote was conducted through Google Forms and results are to be announced through email in the following week.

3. Committee Signups

- a. Members signed up for the Social Media and Outreach Committee, Booths Committee, Mental Health Legislation Committee, and Art Committee.
 - i. Social Media and Outreach: Hailey Dubois, Kaylee Truong, Tara Kurup, Logan Dufresne, Brenda Sacramento-Cortes

- ii. Booths: Narayan Sajeev, Vedhsai Patel, Michael Blair, Brandon Yeung, Lily O'Brien, Miles Borne
- iii. Mental Health Legislation: Lily O'Brien, James Thibault, Luisa Pelletier, Gavin McCrevan, Mia Mozzoni, Vedant Patel
- iv. Art: Tara Kurup, Gavin McCrevan, Brenda Sacramento-Cortes

4. LYAC Amendment

- a. James Thibault introduced an amendment to the GYAC bylaws that would add a position to the executive board. This position would entail a member of GYAC to act as a representative liaison for the Legislative Youth Advisory Council to promote communication between the two groups. The representative position will not begin until the following GYAC year, so it should be filled by a non-graduating GYAC member.
- b. James Thibault motioned to make the amendment and Luisa Pelletier seconded the motion. A unanimous vote of 17 supported the amendment to the bylaws.

5. Recruitment Ideas

- a. Hold meetings at different locations in the state (high schools and colleges, local libraries) to increase accessibility
- b. Word of mouth between peers and government/history-based courses
- c. Communications with school administrators and counselors
- d. Maura McGowan can provide contact with organizations in the North Country
- e. Short video for advertising to summarize GYAC's purpose and promote interest
- f. Advertise alongside the Legislative Youth Advisory Council

6. Upcoming Event Ideas

- a. Old Homes Day (central NH)
- b. GYAC trip to the Canadian border
- c. School Student Council Event
- d. Playing for Change: May 1, 2024 (Contact Gavin McCrevan for additional information)
 - i. Student-written plays revolving around mental health
- e. Fall Festival: November 24, 2023
- f. Pizzastock (next summer)

- g. Pinpoint times that youth go to Massachusetts for holidays, dances, etc
7. Additional Ideas
- a. Social media campaigns around positive messaging
 - b. Resource cards in corsages for school proms

Adjournment: Kaylee Truong made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mia Mozzoni seconded the motion. A voice vote passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 12:39 p.m.

Next Meeting Date: 16 December 2023 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Location: New Hampshire State House

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