



## 2012 Meeting Minutes

**June 6, 2012**

Meeting held at 7:30pm in community room of Central One Federal Credit Union

**Present:**

Terry Gavin, Karen Ross, Tricia Guest, Nancy Wright, Cheryl Goebel, Judy Diorio, Maria Schoen, Stephanie Leclair

**Treasurer's report:**

Cheryl reported that we have \$17,789.59 in liabilities & equity. We discussed upgrading the six-month CD to a 12-month CD, thus increasing the interest rate. Cheryl will check out the rates with the bank & get back to us. Cheryl is working with Terry to finish compiling the IYS filing with the state government.

**Grants**

Terry reported that no grants have been received in the past month. She told us that six applications were received for our IYS \$500.00 scholarship. Nancy Wright and Stephanie Leclair reviewed the six applicant essays and both selected the same essay as the one who should receive our scholarship. The WHS senior selected is John Egan. He will receive our scholarship at the graduation on 6/9/12.

**"Westborough Cares"**

Terry told us that the Human Alliance is meeting on Tuesday June 12 at 11:00am in the Forbes building room 23. They would like to put together a group called "Westborough Cares". The purpose of this group is to join forces with all the "giving" organizations in Westborough, thus having one central group so that duplication of efforts does not occur. Terry plans on attending the meeting & invites anyone else to join her at the meeting.

**Pass the Torch:**

Nancy showed us an example of the torch we will use this summer to try to increase food donations to the food pantry. We voted to spend up to \$200.00 to laminate the 54 paper torches for this project. We plan to have a sign-up list at our 4<sup>th</sup> of July block party table. People can sign up to receive a torch & we will deliver one to them the following week. We talked about setting up collection boxes in the library, Target and Tatnuck Bookstore, as these locations do not currently have food pantry collection containers. Nancy will use her writing skills to publicize this *Pass The Torch* project. We divided up the collection locations and each person will find out if we are able to set up a food pantry collection box at each site. We talked about displaying the torches at either the library or the rotary after we finish up the project in mid-August.

**July 4 Block Party**

We discussed our IYS table at the June 29<sup>th</sup> block party. We have been asked by the block party committee if we could come provide a game or two for the middle school aged children. After some brainstorming, we came up with 2 games: (1) A speed cup stacking game where players are asked to stack & unstack a series of cups while being timed. (2) A texting game where 4 players compete to see who can text a phrase the fastest. We will give out candy prizes for the winners. We agreed to email Karen phrases with challenging words for the game.

**Membership**

Karen expressed her desire to find ways for us to increase our membership. She suggested using the new Veteran's Freedom Park as a possible site for a family fun event. We then talked about using the Knights of Columbus hall for a Bunco ladies night out event. We could have IYS material available for the participants. This would be an easy, fun way to get the word out about our organization. We would hold this event in the fall; possibly mid October.

The meeting adjourned at 9:35pm.