

**MEETING MINUTES  
COMMISSION ON CHILDREN YOUTH & FAMILIES  
CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS  
October 2, 2014  
Farmington Hills City Hall Community Room located at:  
3155 W. Eleven Mile Rd., Farmington Hills, Mi. 48336**

**CALLED TO ORDER BY:** Vice-Chair, Carmen Francis at 6:00 pm.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Kathy Ashcraft, Ed Cherkinsky, C. J. Felton, Carmen Francis, Diane Hague, Anthony Lewis, Carla Mackey, Joan McGlinicy, Bette Rose, Laura Scott, Mitch Seelye and Sandy Smith

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Karen Bolsen, Stephanie Davis, Rebecca Dworkin, Bill Dwyer, Paul Melrose, Jim Nash, Andy Nichelhoff, Leana Parker, Marla Parker, Michael Peters and Eugene Thomas

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Farmington and Farmington Hills Council, City, or Staff Liaison members: Frank Demers, Josephine Hobson, Todd Lipa, Charles Nebus and Samantha Steckloff.

#	AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION SUMMARY/PERTINENT INFO	FORMAL MOTIONS:
1	<b>APPROVAL OF AGENDA</b>  10/2/14	Introduction of Commission members and new liaisons: Frank Demers, the new Interim and soon to be new Director of Farmington Public Safety and Josephine Hobson, the new liaison from the Commission on Aging.	<b>MOTION BY:</b> Diane Hague  <b>SUPPORT BY:</b> Joan McGlinicy  <b>MOTION CARRIED:</b> Unanimous
2	<b>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</b>  9/4/14		<b>MOTION BY:</b> Laurie Scott  <b>SUPPORT BY:</b> Carla Mackey  <b>MOTION CARRIED:</b> Unanimous
3	<b>AGENDA ITEM:</b>  Youth Division Update	Due to a prior commitment, Todd Lipa was not able to attend and Youth Division Update is tabled until the next meeting on November 6.	
4	<b>AGENDA ITEM:</b>  Issues Committee Update	Diane Hague: The Issues Committee met on Monday, September 29 to finalize plans for the College Night being held on October 20. Copies will be made by Diane, the room layout is confirmed with Ann Jones and a committee will meet on Monday, October 6 at 11:30 am in the Conference Room at the Costick Center to compile the folders that will be distributed at College Night.	
5	<b>AGENDA ITEM:</b>  Call to Action	Mitch Seelye: 1). The Call to Action Breakfast is scheduled to begin at 7:00 am. In the Shannon Room at the Costick Center. Meghan Woodman from Haven will speak as well as a domestic violence victim. The Police Chiefs will also speak about their experiences. 2). CTA joined the Alliance Coalition and were given a "reimbursement" grant of \$4700 for this year and can receive up to \$15,000 next year for reimbursement of expenses. 3). The "New Drugs" are prescription drugs that could lead to hard drugs such as heroin. 4). There is a campaign to directed at Liquor Stores to have them post signs saying, "21 to buy." Students will distribute the signs to the stores and they should be given community credit by the schools. 5) Mitch is taking 48 Alateen youth to Greenfield on 10/24 for Halloween Night. 6). In partnership with the Alliance Coalition in the month of October two presentations will be made, one at OCC on Heroin and the other at Macomb Community College on Heroin overdose.	
6	<b>AGENDA ITEM:</b>  CYF Spotlight	Carmen Francis: There has been a suggestion to plan a show with Todd Lipa in November to discuss the After School Program.	
7	<b>AGENDA ITEM:</b>  Program on Bullying Update	There was a discussion on bullying and future plans. Carmen clarified our discussion at the Issues Meeting where a decision was made not to do a program on	

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		bullying this year. An inquiry need to be made as to what the Schools and State are doing. Samantha is working with Janet Jackson who is an Oakland County Commissioner and Janet has access to Grants. The grants would be used for the topic of Social Media Bullying. On 11/13 there is a program on Human Trafficking per C. J., who also reiterated that the original idea on bullying was to pursue Cyber Bullying. Samantha suggested a program on Social Media Education.	
8	<b>AGENDA ITEM: New Business and Announcements</b>	Chuck Nebus: 1). The Central American children did not come and may not ever come because of lower than expected numbers. He expressed regret and concern for the newly hired professionals and staff that gave up other positions to work in the new program that will not exist. 2). Heroin is an increasing problem. There has been 63 overdoses and one death and that is a 48% increase in the City. There has been a 300% increase in the County. Between 2010-2012 deaths have doubled Nationally. Heroin was 3% pure years ago and now it is 90% pure and relatively cheap. 4). Of concern is the fact that Prescription Drugs can be the gateway to other drugs. Tony Lewis: He discussed the heightened sensitivity in the State between citizens and law enforcement. No community is immune. He requested that the Farmington/Farmington Hills Police Chiefs to be sure there is education and communication with Police Officers. Professionalism, awareness and sensitivity is needed when dealing with citizens.	
9	<b>PUBLIC COMMENTS</b>	None.	
	<b>ADJOURNMENT</b>	Motion to adjourn at 7:00 pm.	<b>MOTION BY:</b> Tony Lewis <b>SECOND BY:</b> Bette Rose <b>MOTION CARRIED:</b> Unanimous
	<b>MINUTES PREPARED BY</b>	Ed Cherkinsky, Secretary, with assistance by Diane Hague  Contact Information: Ed Cherkinsky at (248) 661-5114 or <a href="mailto:echerkinsk@aol.com">echerkinsk@aol.com</a>	