

MEETING MINUTES

Youth Advisory Board
January 13, 2026 3pm

Youth, Family & Recreation Building
75 Mohegan Road

Roll Call, Erin Haggan, Jen Wakehan, Kelsey Klaeson, Teairez Atunbi, Vivian Lau, Kimberly Siefert-Charles

Not present Robert Mckinney, Don Concasia, Patrice Merendina

Review and approve November 2025 minutes – Minutes Approved

Kelsey Klaeson – approved to Co-Chair with Teairez Atunbi

Old Business:

Piloted morning care @ 2 Elementary schools – Program is doing well, \$50 a week Mon-Fri, drop off at 7am, 28 kids – Goal will be to expand to other elementary schools.

New Business:

Erin Haggan – shared quarterly report that is presented to City Manager of how many youth/families have been services and supports by YFR.

Winter Program - canceled youth Yoga and maybe canceling Youth Tennis due to low enrollment, Survey's reviewed from fall – good feedback, Disney pin trading has a large enrollment looking for a larger space for this program, other programs are starting up

Recruiting New Members – Norwich Library staff possibly, NPS –request designee when member can't attend, look to see if a member from a non-profit, Kim to create a Non-Profit list out of Norwich, Social Media post to explain the board and explore new members (video created), Vivian to explore a possible replacement for student representation, possible NPS PTO members

Members to attend a Winter Event – Kim-Youth Boxing + Karate, Jen – Magic program, Teairez – Open Basketball gym, Kelsey – Tennis

EMPS – 2025 910 episodes EMPS responded to Norwich youth, 5000 in the NE, 28 DCF involved, 1 JJ involved, 20 calls from NFA, 28 Kelly, 11 Teacher, 110 self/family calls

Next Meeting: March 10, 2026, 3pm

Location: Youth, Family & Recreation Building
