Danby Community Council
Minutes of Board of Directors’ Meeting
August 7, 2014
Danby Town Hall, 7:00 PM

Board members present: Alison Christie, Ted Crane, Gould Colman, Katharine Hunter (minutes)
Absent: Julie Clougherty, Maya Patt.
Others present: Dave Sanders, Shelly Jo Lester, Jack Miller.

Previous meeting’s minutes approved

Cornell Cooperative Extension News and Budget: Shelly Jo Lester and Dave Sanders presented Extension discussion and 2014 budget with an eye toward 2105 budget. Some board discussion centered around mileage as Karlita gained area knowledge and use of personal car. The budget for 2015 looks stable. CCE is working toward getting a living wage across all 15 municipalities with a 3% cost of living increase for Program Managers. Question asked regarding Karlita’s thoughts on continuing next year. Regarding funding from United Way, we need to update/include United Way’s non-discrimination policy.

Youth Programming: Dave Sanders requested a DCC member to join him in monitoring Summer Programs. There was positive response for this request and Allison agreed to attend. Some discussion about the progress of the surveys: 28 so far with more probably not yet included in that number. Good news too, Karlita’s program is generating good interest and attendance. Dave and Shelley will try to determine how many attendees are from different parts of Danby and how to work on getting more youth involved. Discussion about the Girls Overnight at the yurt: 19 girls, 15 from Danby and 4 from Enfield with a guest professor from Ithaca College

Youth Employment: Five youth are employed: One with Karlita, one at JYC; one at Youth Farm, one with Primitive Pursuits; one with the clerk’s office. Allison wondered if with permission from parents, if a profile could be written for the Danby News.

Event Follow-up: Discussion question to be sure that communications stay open with library regarding DCC events.

Event Planning: Reminder about the Barn Dance! August 8, Slow Lane, Danby. Concerts will continue through the fall and winter. Bob Strichartz has secured Sheherazade Trio for September 28. Other possibilities: Sheesham and Lotus Jug Band, Barbershop Quartet, Joe Crookston, Klezmer Band, Morris Men, and reaching out to other musicians in the area for ideas.

Harvest festival date is set for October 19, 2 - 5pm (not to compete with West Danby fundraiser, October 25). Ideas for harvest day include hands-on old fashioned tools exhibit; tractor pull; time capsule; literary activity; food; letterbox debut; Bob the Letterman; trebuchet; bonfire; grand finale. More concrete plans will be made at next meeting. We will explore the possibility of having a food vender.

Movie showing request considered for October: “Speaking Out for Health Care for Everyone”.

Winter Ideas:
Ted Talk video
Intellectual Gathering/Poetry event
Further considerations for a movie night still pending, but expense may prevent.
Silkscreening event
TROUTS in the Classroom!

**Youth Program/Grants Update:** No updates.

**Treasurer’s Report:** Julie Clougherty will present Treasurer’s Report at September meeting (she was on vacation).

**Other Issues:** Remaining questions regarding Food Pantry and Kids and Food questions regarding in-school food and in community food for all children continue.

**Meeting Adjourned 8:50 p.m.**