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Minutes for LPC and YSBAB

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Attending: Paula Plante, Chelsea Podolsky, Kim McTighe, Steve Langlais, Alandra Daniel and Alan Slobodien  
Guest: Bonnie Weyland-Smith

1. Chelsea provided an update on SSNAP (Students Seeking New Achievements Positively) a group focused on healthy decisions. SSNAP students have been working with Mrs. McTighe on the volley ball lock-in that is taking place on March 14<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Rocket directed the students to change the manner in which teams are chosen for the lock in. This change includes a lottery system that was created to promote equity and reduce confusion.
2. Bonnie Smith from ERASE presented the drug/alcohol survey findings from the May 2013 VCMS and RHS surveys. Alcohol consumption and binge drinking have notably decreased. Bonnie and Alan presented the survey results to the BoE and Alan is scheduled to present to the Town Council in March. Council members were emailed the presentation Power Point and the full survey report in February. The Council can use the survey results to help guide its work in the future. It is clear, however, that conducting compliance checks is reported to be a major deterrent in underage drinking in Vernon.
3. YSB Report was given as follows:
  - OPM, the Office of Policy and Management issued a RFP for its Police/Youth grant. The grant focuses on funding activities that encourages positive interactions between youth and police. The YSB and VPD have applied in the past, but have not been awarded the grant. This year KIDSAFE CT will be the lead applicant for Vernon and is proposing that a youth/police basketball tournament be held followed by a cook out for players and their families.

The meeting adjourned at 3:30pm following item #3 discussion.

**Next Meeting: May 20, 2014 - 2:15pm @ RHS Library**