

Approved at the 1/20/2026 YBCC meeting

DUTCHESS COUNTY YOUTH BOARD AND COORDINATING COUNCIL
Meeting Minutes –November 18, 2025

Present: Amy Smith, Doni Valitutto, Jaime Hyla, Doreen Clifford, Jennifer Radicone, Karmen Smallwood, Ryan Travepiece,
Karen Lynch, Amanda McGann-Watson, Rajan Alam, Olivia Clark

Agenda Item	Discussion
Approval of Minutes for October 2025	A motion was made to approve the October 21, 2025, YBCC minutes. Vote taken; Jaime Hyla made a motion to approve; Olivia Clark seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.
Path to Promise	The assistant commissioner informed the YBCC of a few initiatives for discussion in the 2026 County Executive budget. The assistant commissioner asked Legislator Travepiece to discuss some of the items pertaining to youth and he provided a brief overview of a few items of the budget.
Bylaws	The board was provided a handout of the proposed changes to the Bylaws. The YBCC will vote next month on the proposed changes.
Offsite Meetings	As mentioned in last month's meeting during the retreat, the topic of holding offsite meetings was discussed. It is the hope that the board will host meetings outside of the Poughkeepsie Journal building to be able to see some of the programs we are funding. The board took a vote, and it was decided that the January meeting will be held at The Art Effect and that April's meeting will be held in Rhinebeck.
Recruitment	The board currently has multiple vacancies and additionally some members' terms will end this year. The board took the time to discuss potential recruitment options as well as revising the YBCC recruitment notice.
Youth Council	There was no youth council update
Announcements	Jennifer announced Habitat for Humanity of Dutchess County-Jr Homebuying U December 22 nd & December 29 th Karmen announced that board member Jennifer Radicone is receiving the Athena Award from the Chamber.
	Motion to adjourn meeting at 5:38pm was made by Karen Lynch; seconded by Amanda McGann-Watson.

Submitted by Juliana Corbett, Program Assistant