**Program Advisory Committee**

**May 25, 2022 Meeting Notes**

**Present**

Jennifer Bessey

Emily Bryson

Jen Van Allen

Newell Augur, School Committee Liaison

Michelle Cromarty, Town Council Liaison

Lisa Straggliotto, YCS Program and Office Supervisor

Mike Caron, YCS Assistant Director

1. **Summer Camp Updates**
   1. Record high registration numbers
   2. Hiring staff has been very challenging, but all positions have now been filled.
   3. We’ll be offering spots in Clipper Day Camp, All Sports Camps, Boys Basketball Camps, Coed Soccer camps, Theater Camp and Girls Basketball Camp to the New Mainers.
      * Incorporating New Mainers from the high school as volunteers at our camps to help with language barriers.
2. **Special Even recommendations**
   1. Valentines Dance
      * Committee recommends YCS continues to offer the Valentines Dance, but make it a family dance instead of Father/Daughter
   2. Easter Egg Hunt
      * Committee recommends YCS move away from making this an Easter event and instead offer some type of spring Scavenger Hunt or other event idea.
   3. Trunk or Treat
      * No changes recommended
   4. Light Up Yarmouth
      * No changes recommended
   5. Tree Lighting and Carrol Sing
      * Committee recommendations
        1. Add songs that represent other groups/religions
        2. Offer a “winter wonderland” photo booth option for those not interested in photos with Santa.
        3. Put less of a focus on Santa, have someone such as the Latchstring Award winner be the one to light the tree instead of Santa.
        4. Preference to using the flagpole with lights such as in 2021, instead of a Christmas tree.
        5. Stick with white lights as often as possible.