TOWN OF WEST SENECA



To: Fellow Town Board Members

From: Sheila M. Meegan, Town Supervisor

Date: July 7, 2017

Re: Youth Board Appointments

Kindly move to appoint Samantha Gawronski, Jacob Kobler, and Emily Baker to the West Seneca Youth Board effective immediately.

Emily Baker 52 Highland Ave West Seneca, NY, 14224 (716)512-5515

January 18th, 2017

Supervisor Meegan & Honorary Town Board,

I am writing to express my interest in the open position for the Town of West Seneca Youth Board position. My interests and aspirations for the future include actively working with community members to enhance the quality of life for the youth and residents of the Town of West Seneca. Over the past six years, I have had the pleasure of being employed in the Town of West Seneca Youth and Recreation Department. I believe that by obtaining a position on the Youth Board would improve my ability to better serve the youth in my current position as well as provide insight into future program opportunities as a member on the board.

I am currently a Senior at Canisius College majoring in Human Services with a minor in Community and Schools, with an anticipated graduation date May of this year. My educational experiences and opportunities and preparation would directly relate and help to promoting the wellbeing of the youth within our community. Currently, these are such trying times for the youth and I believe that I can serve as a leader to help engage and inspire the youth within our community. It would be my goal and responsibility to listen to the youth within our community as well as to plan, solve and execute potential solutions to the current issues that arise as well as offer support. My experience working in classrooms across several districts as a student teacher, as well as working on several student boards holding leadership positions I am familiar and comfortable in developing plans and implementing new strategies through using data collected to ensure the programs and services created to offer support would fully benefit current needs of the youth within the community.

It is my belief that my current position as well as my experience through internships, volunteerism, and college level courses regarding communities, children and their families would make me a great candidate for this position. I would be able to use my experience to offer new ideas, plan and implement. This would also offer me the opportunity to become more involved in my community and learn from both the youth as well as other members of the board, community and our government officials. I would like to thank you for your time and consideration and I look forward to hearing from you in the future.

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Emily Baker

From: Jacob Kobler [mailto:jacobkob@buffalo.edu]

Sent: Thursday, July 06, 2017 4:03 PM

To: Lauren Masset; Sheila Meegan; William Hanley; Eugene P. Hart

Subject: Youth Board Application

Dear Honorable Town Board,

I would like to be considered for a position on the West Seneca Youth Board.

I am a resident of West Seneca, and a graduate of the West Seneca Central School District. I am currently enrolled in the Honors College at the University at Buffalo. While in school, I am a research assistant for the UB Pediatric Medicine department study PLAN with Families. PLAN with Families is investigating different types of treatment settings for children with obesity. I spent three years working with the youth of West Seneca in the Recreation Department as a camp counselor, rink guard, and playground attendant. It is essential to keep our youth off of the streets to ensure that they are kept away from the dangers that face our society today, such as the opioid epidemic which has struck our community. Our town must protect the future of our youth. Thank you for your consideration,

Jacob Kobler