

YEA Beating Bullying
Minutes of Meeting 6th June 2009 - 11am-1pm at County Hall

Present - Emily K, Zoe, Katharina, Louise, Sophie, Laura, Bryony, Charlie, Esther, Jade, Georgia, Sherilyn (YEA Staff), Diane (Anti-Bullying Co-ordinator)

Apologies - Bronwyn, Jordie, Catherine

Youth Bank Bid

Sophie, Jaime, Emily & Bryony met on the 19th May to put together a youth bank bid for the Bullying project. This bid has now been submitted and we will wait to see if we have been successful.

Theatre

We spoke to the Mercury Theatre in Colchester who were keen to work with us and to host the Beat Bullying performance. They are getting back to us to confirm if we can work with them or not.

Publicity

It was decided we need to get publicity out to schools by the end of this term. The group spent time working on ideas for flyers and looking at existing ones. Once we have final dates we will produce the flyer as quickly as possible to get it out. The flyer could go direct to schools, be given out in meetings and group members could distribute them in their local areas.

Summer planning days

It was decided that we would spend two days in the summer holidays working on our project. One day will probably focus on the information pack we will give out and the other will probably focus on the actual conference. These dates will be Thursday 23rd July and Thursday 27th August. Sherilyn will arrange a venue and let everyone know as soon as possible.

Children in Need

We had hoped to hold our launch event on Friday 20th October but this will also be Children in Need Day. We voted not to compete with Pudsey

Bear and try to arrange our event for another day that week. WE will check availability of the conference venue.

Age Range

Much discussion was had around what ages we should market our event at. It was decided that we would advertise our event to all schools and it would be done on a first come, first served basis. The event will be open to all pupils from Year 5 through to Year 9.

Bullied Celebrities

Emily had been researching celebrities who had been bullied, we could try contacting them to see if they would appear at our theatre event.

Next Meeting

The next subgroup meeting will be a full YEA Sitting on Saturday 4th July at County Hall. At this Sitting we will be reporting back to County Councillors and Senior Managers about our projects and our progress so far. If you can't attend you must send apologies to the YEA office before the meeting.