



Town of Simsbury

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BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING **AGENDA SUBMISSION FORM**

1. **Title of submission:** Community for Care Committee
2. **Date of submission:** January 21, 2014
3. **Date of Board Meeting:** January 27, 2014
4. **Individual or Entity making the submission:** Pastor Woody Eddins, Town of Simsbury, Simsbury Public Schools
5. **Action requested of the Board of Selectmen (Acceptance of gift, creation of reserve, approval of contract, information only, etc. Be as specific as possible with respect to the desired action of the Board.):**

The Individual or Entity making the submission requests that the Board of Selectmen:

Proposed by the Town of Simsbury, the Simsbury Public Schools, and Pastor Woody Eddins that the Board of Selectmen create and appoint a new Board of the Town of Simsbury, members to serve an appointed term of two years ending on January 1, 2016. Members to meet on a quarterly basis.

Pastor Eddins approached the Town and Simsbury Schools with a proposal to create a joint Town, School, and community member Board to discuss, communicate and problem-solve issues of mental health and substance abuse in our community, as these issues are multifaceted and multigenerational community concerns. While the schools, Town, houses of worship, and families address these issues separately, there may be the need to better coordinate responses, improve communication between various groups, and engage in coordinated actions to educate, inform and communicate.

6. **Individual(s) responsible for submission (Please include complete contact information. The identified individual(s) should be prepared to present information to the Board of Selectmen at the Board Meeting.):**

Pastor Woody Eddins will present to the Board. Selectman Lisa Heavner worked on this submission and proposal in her capacity as Liaison to the Board of Education.

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7. **Summary of Submission** (Include in your summary (i) relevant dates and timelines; (ii) parties involved; (iii) a description of financial terms and conditions specifically identifying the financial exposure/commitment of the Town of Simsbury; (iv) whether or not contracts, licenses and other legal documents have been reviewed by the Town's counsel; and (v) other information that will inform the Board of Selectmen's consideration of your submission. Include any additional information in an attached memorandum.):

Proposed make-up of the Board:

Pastor Woody Eddins, co-chair
Town of Simsbury Chief of Police, or his designee
Town of Simsbury Director of Social Services
Assistant Superintendent of Schools
Principal of Simsbury High School
Principal of Henry James Memorial School
Director of Special Services, Simsbury Public Schools, or designee.

Up to four members of the community, parents or others with expertise and/or experience in mental health/substance abuse counseling or treatment.

One student liaison appointed by Simsbury High School

8. **Description of documents included with submission** (All documents must be in final form and signed by the appropriate party.):

The following documents are included with this submission and attached hereto: