



COALITION COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, September 28, 2017

12:30 – 3:30pm


Simcoe Muskoka Family Connexions – 60 Bell Farm Road, Barrie, ON


Thank you to Simcoe Muskoka Family Connexions for hosting today's meeting.

Attended		Regrets	
Greenwood, Kimberley (Vice Chair)/ Barrie Police	Kennedy, Joan/Seasons Centre	Paul, Louise (Chair)/CTN	Hirstwood, Karen/Catulpa
Hough, Phil (Past Chair)/OSMH	Lalonde-Rankin, Susan for Adams, Linda/Waypoint	Armstrong, Rob/YMCA	Janssen, Jan/County of Simcoe
Addison-Toor, Suzanne/Georgian College	Levesque, Yves/ CSC MonAvenir	Beaucage, Gertie/Banac	Jeffery, David /Chigamik
Bergin, Michelle/CFSSC	Manners, Kathryn (Coordinator)	Biddell, Dale/United Way	Kapteyn, Michele/SCS
Blue, Danette/MCYS	Mansell, Tracy/Kerry's Place	Brens, Chris/NSM LHIN	Kacsuta, Keith/John Howard
Carney, Patrick/SMCDSB	McAlpine, Julie (Recorder)	Casault, Pierre/La Clé	Leduc, Rhonda/Elizabeth Fry
Carter, Tracey/Child Advocacy Centre	McKeeman, Elizabeth/New Path	Collins, Joy/NSM LHIN	Mink, Danielle/SCDSB
Clarke, John/Mackenzie Health	McLearn, Melanie/SMFC	Cooper, Marion/LHIN	Newby, Glen/New Path
Dooley-Phillips, Geraldine/SMFC	Nielson, Hanne/SCDSB	Croteau, Gerry/Gilbert Centre	Shoreman, Carolyn/SMDHU
Fisher, Michelle /211	Silk, Bill/SCS	Csekey, Sarah/Orollia Library	Simmons-Physick, Chris/Kinark
Forget, Laura/BANAC	Shelley, Brian/YMCA	Dawson, Kristen/Gilda's Place	Thomas, Mary/United Way
Gowers, Lucy/Youth Haven	Vanderbyl, Christine/OEYC	Evans, Eric/Morton Youth Services	Thompson, Joy/Elizabeth Fry
Junke, Rosslyn/United Way	Watson, Mary Jan for Carolyn Shoreman, SMDHU	Ferguson, Jacquie/Kerry's Place	Vallis-Page, Christine/E3
Harris, Jim/CMHA	Webb, Mary/RVRHC	Green, Colin/Gilbert Centre	Verreault, Tricia, CS Viamonde
		Harding, Suzanne/CS Viamonde	Watts, Leslie/Catulpa
		Hillier, Pam/211	

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1. Welcome & Roundtable	<p>Kimberley chaired today's Council meeting as Louise was unable to attend. Kimberley welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked Simcoe Muskoka Family Connexions (SMFC) for the use of their meeting room.</p> <p>As Philip Hough takes on the role of Past Chair, Kimberley thanked him for his support and leadership not only as Chair of the Coalition but for his work in the community. Kimberley also thanked John Clarke for his guidance throughout his three years of service to the Coalition as he steps down from his role as past-Chair.</p> <p>Kimberley welcomed Kathy Manners, the new Coordinator for the Coalition.</p> <p>During the roundtable introductions, Melanie McLearn announced that Susan Carmichael is retiring from SMFC effective December 31st</p>	

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		<p>and Geraldine Dooley-Phillips has been appointed the new Executive Director effective January 1, 2018. Congratulations Geraldine.</p> <p>Geraldine Dooley-Phillips, ED at Simcoe Muskoka Family Connexions; Hanne Neilson, SCDSB replacing Chris Samis; Lucy Gowers, ED at Youth Haven and Tracey Carter, ED at the Child Advocacy Centre Simcoe/Muskoka were all welcomed as new members to the Coalition Council.</p>	
2.	<p>Consent Agenda</p> <p>2.1 Council Minutes May 25, 2017</p> <p>2.2 Planning Table Minutes May 9, 2017</p> <p>2.3 Executive Committee Minutes May 18, 2017</p> <p>2.4 Approval of Agenda</p> <p>2.5 Statement of Operations August 31, 2017</p> <p>2.6 Coalition Council Terms of Reference</p>	<p>As we were able to approve the consent agenda from the May Council meeting due to a lack of quorum, it was sent out for electronic approval.</p> <p>Motion: Moved by Yves Levesque, seconded by Joan Kennedy that the May 9, 2017 Consent Agenda be approved. All in favour; carried.</p> <p>Today's Consent Agenda had been sent out to Council members for review as part of their meeting package.</p> <p>Motion: Moved by Michelle Bergin, seconded by John Clarke that the Consent Agenda package of September 28, 2017 be approved. All in favour; carried.</p>	
3.	HST/Input Tax Credit Reassessment	<p>Kimberley reviewed the discussion from the May council meeting that BDO was building a case for the Coalition to be eligible to collect HST on Coalition membership fees. A comprehensive package of information was sent to CRA in June. No response has been received to date and BDO has advised it can take more than 3 months to get a decision.</p> <p>This item will return to the November agenda for discussion if further communication/followup is required with CRA and/or BDO. We will continue to keep everyone informed on actions taken.</p>	Add HST/ITC Update to November Council agenda.
4.	Member Dues Report	<p>As of today, two membership fees remain outstanding along with one partial payment. We are slightly ahead of the same period last year and Kimberley thanked everyone for ensuring their membership fees have been paid.</p> <p>Kimberley reported a couple of agencies have decided not to renew their membership and that we currently have 39 agencies represented at Council. We are looking at reaching out to some potential new member agencies regarding their interest in joining the Coalition.</p>	
5.	Coalition Structure Update	Recruitment of cross representation from working tables, initiatives and sectors for the new Integrated Planning Table (IPT) has been	

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		<p>taking place over the last few months. The IPT had its first meeting on September 12th and members were engaged and attentive.</p> <p>Kathy Manners also spoke about the first meeting and advised that the themes that emerged from the activities of the first meeting will be going back to the IPT next meeting. Members indicated they would like a workplan and a way to tackle priorities.</p> <p>The Coalition Council's Terms of Reference were sent out as part of the Consent Agenda package and approved today as part of that process.</p>	
6.	Coalition 2018-2021 Strategic Plan	<p>With the restructuring of the Coalition, impending change in Trusteeship and the ongoing work on the HST/ITC issue, the Executive Committee recommended that rather than go through a full strategic review, the current plan be extended into 2018. This recommendation was approved by Council at the March 2017 meeting.</p> <p>The Executive Committee met last week and began looking at what information can be pulled out from the 2014-17 plan and Visioning Day to inform the process for the new Strategic Plan. Discussion will continue at the October Executive Committee meeting and further information will be provided at the November Council meeting.</p> <p>Kathy spoke about making it a strong, living plan so everyone feels connected to it and that it be integrated into everything that we do.</p>	Add 2018-2021 Strategic Plan to next Council agenda.
7.	Coalition Presentation to Members	<p>Kathy presented the slide deck on the Coalition which provided an overview of the Coalition and the roles and responsibilities of Council members. Phil noted that historically, there were no formal processes in place and that the Executive Committee has worked on putting a number of processes in place.</p> <p>In speaking about the role of the Coordinator, Kathy provided a background on herself and the interesting skills she brings to the Coordinator position.</p>  <p>September Coalition Presentation to Memb</p>	
8.	Hot Topic: Building Better Futures for Children and Youth in Ontario: An Overview of the Updates to the Child, Youth and Family Services Act	Kimberley introduced Melanie McLearn from Simcoe Muskoka Family Connexions who provided an overview of the background and updates to the Child, Youth and Family Services Act. All changes discussed today come into effect next summer.	

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	 <p>CYFSA Update Coalition Sept 2017.pr</p> <p>Geraldine spoke about the impact the changes will have on SMFC especially with an extended mandate to receive referrals up to age 18, and that they will be looking to agencies to join them re integration of services.</p> <p>Some discussion took place including education and training for those impacted by the changes, the impact of the changes to underfunded service agencies and the need to work with municipalities regarding the role of camp counsellors who themselves are 16-17 year olds.</p> <p>SMFC will receive no additional funding this year but must provide the service. Danette spoke about getting a sense of the volume/needs throughout January to March.</p> <p>Ways in which the Coalition could get involved were suggested eg. creating some training opportunities, taking an advocacy role, having the voice of the child as a focus in the new strategic plan.</p> <p>Members were asked to break into small groups to provide some feedback on better ways to implement the new act in relation to the main areas of change, and to identify any best practices.</p> <p>Melanie thanked everyone for participating and providing their feedback.</p>	<p>Add CYFSA to October Executive Committee agenda.</p> <p>Send any further comments to Melanie.</p>
9.	<p>Member Flash Updates: 11.1 Roundtable Updates</p>	<p>Members were reminded to send information to be shared for the Weekly News and Updates to Julie.</p> <p>Soldiers' Memorial Hospital - Philip Hough reported on OSMH and Georgian Bay General's partnership for an obstetrical program for low risk deliveries.</p> <p>Simcoe Muskoka Family Connexions - Melanie McLearn announced SMFC in coordination with York CAS has been successful with its anti-human trafficking grant for a pilot program with York University to provide home based, family based care for under 18yo who have being rescued from human trafficking and to create /understand training requirements for caregivers.</p>

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	<p>Geraldine Dooley-Phillips spoke about the event taking place at Rama First Nation around reconciliation with indigenous communities and families re role child welfare played. This even is being filled by an Indigenous film crew to make a documentary.</p> <p>CMHA - Jim Harris reported on the new OTN site being opened the end of the month at the Innisfil Town Hall, operating in conjunction with the walk-in clinic. Jim also spoke about a special project with primary care which has been accepted to go to public proposal as part of the 21 million investment in opioids regionally to make enhancements to services.</p> <p>Poverty Reduction Task Group - Rosslyn Junke reported the PRTG is close to announcing the living wage which looks higher than anticipated. The report is being finalized now and will hopefully be presented to Council in November. Nov 5-10 is Living Wage week.</p> <p>NSM LHIN - Susan Lalonde-Rankin advised the report on the NSM LHIN Mental Health and Addictions Child & Adolescent Steering Committee's integrated youth service hub consultations has been approved to go out, and will move on to looking at a design.</p> <p>SMCDSB - Pat Carney spoke about the mental health work taking place with the board and families.</p> <p>Catholic Family Services - Michelle Bergin confirmed CFS is receiving investments from NSMLHIN for an expansion of the walk-in clinics in Muskoka, and adding capacity to existing clinics.</p> <p>CSC MonAvenir – Yves Levesque reported francophone COMPASS is restarting meetings next week and he will report back to this table. The school year started under its new name with 17,000 students. The Franco-Ontarien Flag Raising celebration took place at Barrie City Hall on September 25th. November 1 and 2 – Race Against Drugs event for kids in grades 5/6 taking place in Midland.</p> <p>Child Advocacy Centre - Tracey Carter reported on the opening of a satellite office in Barrie and to contact her if looking for more information about their services/locations.</p> <p>Georgian College - Suzie Addison-Toor spoke about opportunities to partner with Georgian College on research initiatives and applying for SHERK funds through the government's new college and community</p>	

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	<p>social innovation fund. Suzie also suggested inviting Karen Dubeau from the City of Barrie to a Council meeting to speak about economic development combined with arts. There is a Housing Hackathon information session taking place on October 3 with the events taking place October 20 and 22 re solutions to low income housing. https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/housing-hack-workshop-information-session-tickets-38349367992</p> <p>SCDSB – Hanne Nielson advised Steve Blake is the new Director replacing Kathy Wallis and spoke about the SCDSB’s new strategy plan/priority and the new distinct direction the school board is taking.</p> <p>YMCA Simcoe Muskoka – Brian advised the rezoning of the Grove street property is going to Council next month and if approved, will be redeveloped for rental units. Then, hopefully can announce where the new YMCA will be built. The new YMCA will still have a health/fitness focus but also be a community hub serving family, youth and children with opportunities for work space with community partners.</p> <p>RVH - Mary Webb provided an update on their eight regional youth mental health beds which are on target to open by year end.</p> <p>MCYS - Danette Blue reported the Special Needs Strategy and Moving on Mental Health work is moving ahead re coordinated service planning. MCYS continues to work with the child welfare sector to support the changes to legislation.</p> <p>Youth Haven – Lucy Gowers advised of their fundraising activity with their Fund Development Officer jumping out of a plane to raise awareness/funds for Youth Haven. Services have also been extended to Midland, Orillia, Alliston and Innisfil.</p> <p>New Path – Liz McKeeman advised that New Path has launched walk-in clinics in collaboration with Catholic Family Services. They are continuing to engage with Directors of local agencies through governance sessions. Liz updated on the work being done on two of the MOMH priorities, developing an integrated crisis system and a single point of access which hopes to have a recommended model by March 31. Kathy Manners will be supporting this work one day/week.</p> <p>OEYC – Christine Vanderbyl spoke about the shared Early Years Mental Health worker through New Path during drop in play time.</p>	<p>Suzie to send Julie information on Housing Hackathon for sharing.</p>

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		Kimberley advised that Telus has commenced a community award which groups in Simcoe County can apply to receive up to \$10,000 for specific programs. The next meeting is in a few months and every meeting can disperse \$50,000 to the community. It is recommended if submitting an application, to focus on young people and technology to meet the criteria. www.telus.com/community	
10.	Exit Ticket Report – May 25, 2017	The results of the exit tickets from May 25 th were reviewed. Kimberley reminded everyone to take a few minutes to complete the exit ticket as we only had a 30% return rate last meeting. Meeting adjourned at 3:20pm	

Next Meeting: Thursday, November 23, 2017, Simcoe County District School Board, 1170 Hwy 26, Midhurst