



COALITION COUNCIL MEETING

Thursday, January 22, 2015

12:30 – 3:30 p.m.

Simcoe County District School Board, Midhurst, Roy Edwards Room

MINUTES

Present:

Armstrong, Rob
 Bergin, Michelle
 Blue, Danette
 Carmichael, Susan (Past Chair)
 Cascagnette, Fiona
 Clarke, John (Vice Chair)
 Gallow, Marg
 Godden, Edwina

Hirstwood, Karen
 Hough, Phil
 Jeffrey, David
 Martins, Nadia
 McAlmont, Trevor
 McKeeman, Liz
 McLeod, Kevin
 Newby, Glen (Chair)

O'Neill, Sharon (Recorder)
 Samis, Chris
 Shoreman, Carolyn
 Shirley, Lori
 Sykes, Nathan
 Thurston, Sandy (for L. Paul)
 Woods, Deborah

Regrets:

Addison-Toor, Suzie
 Artelt-Evans, Angela
 Beal, Brian
 Beaucage, Gertie
 Bell, Crystal (for Janice Skot)
 Biddell, Dale

Hossack, David (for K. Greenwood)
 Fisher, Michelle (for P. Hillier)
 Ferguson, Jacquie
 Keighley-Clarke, Tracey
 Kennedy, Joan
 Loosemore, Deborah
 Paul, Louise
 Simmons-Physick, Chris
 Kapteyn, Michele (for M. Graves)

Roy, Suzanne
 Talon, Terry
 Watson, Mary Jean

Guests: Wendy Nelson, Regional Director, Ministry of Children and Youth Service and Ministry of Community and Social Service; James Thomson, New Path Foundation; Christian Lapalme, Principal, ESC Nouvelle-Alliance

Many Thanks to Simcoe County District School Board for hosting this meeting!

Item	Status	Action
1. Welcome & Roundtable	Welcome to all members. Welcome to guests Wendy Nelson, James Thomson and Christian Lapalme. Chris Samis brought greetings from SCDSB as host today. Janet Harris of Waypoint retired in December and the Coalition is awaiting appointment of a replacement. Keith Kacsuta is the new Executive Director for the John Howard Society effective Feb. 17, 2015, replacing Michelle Strickland.	

	All members asked to ensure they sign in for Quorum as a new system and also asked to notify Glen, Deb, Sharon if they have to leave during decision making items.	
<p>2. Consent Agenda</p> <p>2.1 Council Minutes Dec. 4, 2014</p> <p>2.2 Planning Table Minutes Jan 13 2015</p> <p>2.3 Infrastructure Table Minutes Jan 8 2015</p> <p>2.4 Approval of Jan 22 Agenda</p> <p>2.5 Statement of Operations as at Dec 31, 2014</p> <p>2.6 Annual Membership Invoice & MOA 2015/2016</p> <p>2.7 LEAD Survey Summary Results</p>	<p>Rob Armstrong motioned to accept Consent Agenda. Seconded by Marg Gallow. All approved.</p> <p>2.6 Glen Newby brought forward Carolyn Shoreman's request to revise the Memorandum of Agreement MOA – Obligations - Commitment of a senior person to attend Bi-Monthly Council meetings. All approved.</p>	<p>Sharon O'Neill to adjust English and French Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) to read Commitment of a senior person to attend Bi-Monthly Council meetings</p>
3. Strategic Plan Update:	Nadia Martins presented the updated overview of the Resilience Strategic Plan including timelines. Working groups are still identifying their projects. A comprehensive update is targeted for the Mar. 26 2015 Council meeting. Basic Needs Task Group chose the Canada Learning Bond as their project and Members were given the informational brochure.	Strategic Plan update to be scheduled on Agenda Mar. 26, 2015.
4. HOT TOPIC: Developmental Assets	<p>Fiona Cascagnette and James Thomson Presented Developmental Assets (DA). An Introduction and overview of Developmental Assets detailed how DA improves the assets/lives of children. The presentation included understanding the asset model, strategies for action, asset support and empowerment. Handouts were circulated. Members broke into small groups to discuss</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What was important • What was most interesting • What was surprising <p>Reflections were shared and discussed. Fiona confirmed Asset #19 Religious Community speaks to a spiritual place and not a specific religion. Survey questions to discover assets can be revised for relevance to specific community language and can be developed in French as well as English.</p> <p>Members are encouraged to visit the Search Institute website http://www.search-institute.org/what-we-study/developmental-assets and look at a sample report http://www.search-institute.org/sites/default/files/a/A%26B%20Sample%20Report%202012.pdf or gather further detail.</p>	<p>Sharon O'Neill to include link from the Search Institute in the final minutes</p> <p>Sample Search Institute DA Report Link: http://www.search-institute.org/sites/default/files/a/A%26B%20Sample%20Report%202012.pdf</p> <p>Search Institute DA Link: http://www.search-institute.org/what-we-study/developmental-assets</p>

	<p>Further discussion took place on how build DA into the Coalition's outcome measurement system and incorporate in the Strategic Plan process. Funding requests has been made and this information will be taken to Secretariat in February.</p> <p>Glen Newby proposed the Coalition Council endorse Developmental Assets and charge Secretariat to develop a plan to bring back to Mar. 26, 2015 Council. All approved.</p>	<p>Secretariat in cooperation with Infrastructure Table to develop a plan to incorporate use of Developmental Assets in the Strategic Plan and report to Council Mar. 26, 2015 and will be discussed at the next Secretariat Feb. meeting.</p>
<p>5. Ministry of Children and Youth Service and Ministry of Community and Social Service</p>	<p>Wendy Nelson, Regional Director, spoke to Council and congratulated the Coalition and commended its work collectively and individually on its great work in the community. Wendy highlighted work happening in both Ministries. Regions have changed. Simcoe County joins with York, Peel, Dufferin, Wellington and Halton. This is a large diverse region which will help bring community teams together.</p> <p>Wendy gave her brief biography and now has spent a year in her role. Wendy is new to government and spent 15 years as a senior manager in various hospitals focusing on health and the human service sector. Wendy did her undergrad at the University of Wisconsin and her Masters at University of Toronto. Wendy also did LHIN health links planning and worked with Susan Plewes.</p> <p>Wendy enjoyed meeting members and looks forward to supporting this group with a goal to look closer at planning and system tables in her community regions. The CYFS Coalition can demonstrate best outcomes, help in funding and policy decisions.</p> <p>Wendy gave an overview of the transformational work moving on mental health services. Simcoe County will be phase 2 with an announcement in Feb. There is a core services inner sectorial community plan providing linkage with health and connecting services.</p> <p>Special needs/complex special needs: This is a 4 ministry initiative and deadlines are extended and still at the early stages.</p> <p>Discussion and questions were raised about the resource time dedicated to this strategy. Chris Samis stated there are good relationships in community but as yet, still don't have frame of model. Nadia Martins spoke of the struggle with the French language school board to connect with resources and build relationships. Wendy encourages all members</p>	

	<p>to speak to the Ministries both collectively and individually. Wendy has heard there are multiple transformations in the province and encourages all to send advice and take part in the released survey from her office. Other highlights:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transformation of the Child Welfare System will be coming. There is a planned amalgamation with Simcoe/Muskoka. • MCSS is making a large investment 810M into Developmental Services. Dialogues are taking place how best to serve children and families. • Violence against Women/ Sex assault – expect to see new investment and change in this area. <p>Glen thanked Wendy and stated it was great that Edwina and Danette were also here today.</p>	
<p>6. Business Arising: <u>Infrastructure</u> 6.1 Infrastructure Co-Chair replacement 6.2 Proposed Budget 2015/2016 <u>Planning Table</u> 6.3 Structure Chart</p>	<p>Trevor stated there is still a need for an Infrastructure Co-chair replacement. Thanks to the YMCA for Brian Shelley who will be interim Co-Chair at Infrastructure meetings until a replacement is found. Gurjinder Jammu, Director of Organizational Excellence and Accountability, Simcoe Children’s Aid has joined the Infrastructure table.</p> <p>Trevor McAlmont motioned to accept the 2015-2016 Budget. Kevin McLeod seconded. All approved.</p> <p>Nadia presented the CYFS Coalition Structure in its new Prezi format as a valuable tool for new members. Sharon O’Neill to place the link on the website and send to all Co-Chairs of working groups.</p>	<p>.</p> <p>Action: Sharon O’Neill to publish Coalition Structure and Resilience Prezi links on the website and distribute to all Co-Chairs of working groups.</p>
<p>7. Advocacy Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Board to Board Meeting Dec. 5, 2014 	<p>Glen updated Council on the Dec. 5, 2014 Board-To Board meeting. Deb Woods gave an overview of the Strategic Plan and Rob Armstrong gave an overview of Developmental Assets. Glen hopes have another meeting in the Spring. Kevin McLeod added that the meeting was a great opportunity for governance levels to get together for discussion of shared governance as well as a deeper understanding of the Coalition. Marg Gallow added that it was a positive meeting with good possibilities of achieving Strategic objectives and also find common ground for a system of service with common features aligning various strategic plans.</p>	

<p>8. Member Flash Updates</p> <p>8.1. Pathways to Resilience III June Conference – Resilience Research Centre</p> <p>8.2. French Language Reception & Call for Partners</p>	<p>8.1 Coalition members are encouraged to report back to the Coalition if they are attending the June conference.</p> <p>8.2 Elizabeth McKeeman gave further detail about French language reception and benefits of partnering with La Clé to provide French language reception.</p> <p>Marg Gallow gave LHIN updates for dual diagnosis and infant mental health. A day of exploring initiatives for funding possibilities is going to leadership council in February.</p> <p>Jim Harris updated LHIN funding distribution for youth addictions and mental health services.</p> <p>Phillip Hough updated that he was elected Co-Chair for pediatric/bariatric regional center at the Ontario level. Orillia is acquiring a pediatrician with expertise in developmental, behavior and mental health. He hopes this person will provide service in both French and English language. Phillip stated there are opportunities for Pharmacist positions at Orillia Soldier’s Memorial Hospital.</p> <p>Nathan Sykes stated Youth Haven is participating in the coldest night of year and lighthouse Orillia Feb 21 as a fundraiser. Youth haven is launching a family support group Jan. 22 at 80 Bradford St. at the Kiwanis clubhouse. This is a 10 week trial to be held every Thursday from 6-9pm.</p>	<p>Sharon O’Neill to send updates to members for LHIN funding.</p>
<p>9. Closing Remarks</p>	<p>Meeting adjourned 3:31pm</p>	

Next Meeting: March 26, 2015 12:30-3:30pm–Geneva Park YMCA, Orillia