




**COALITION COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**  
**Thursday, September 20, 2018**  
**12:30 – 3:30pm**  
**St. Joseph High School, 243 Cundles Road East, Barrie**



**Thank you to the Simcoe Muskoka Catholic District School Board for hosting today's meeting at St. Joseph High School.**

Attended		Regrets	
Greenwood, Kimberley (Chair)/ Barrie Police	Gowers, Lucy/Youth Haven	Adams, Linda/Waypoint	Johnson, Dean/CLH
McLearn, Melanie/SMFC (Vice Chair)	Jessop, Lauren, Barrie Public Library	Armstrong, Rob/YMCA	Kennedy, Joan/Seasons Centre
Barrass, Karine, CS Viamonde	Junke, Rosslyn/United Way	Bernard, Sylvia/La Clé	Kelly, Scott/E3
Bergin, Michelle/CFSSC	Manners, Kathryn (Coordinator)	Boynton, Tahnee/John Howard	Leduc, Rhonda/Elizabeth Fry
Blue, Danette/MCYS	Mansell, Tracy/Kerry's Place	Cheliak, Lynne/CMHA	Levesque, Yves/ CSC MonAvenir
Brens, Chris/NSM LHIN	McAlpine, Julie (Recorder)	Clarke, John/Mackenzie Health	Lobbestael, Leo, Gilda's Club
Carney, Patrick/SMCDSB	McGee, Janette/YMCA	Croteau, Gerry/Gilbert Centre	Mink, Danielle, SCDSB
Carter, Tracey/Child Advocacy Centre	McKeeman, Elizabeth/New Path	Csekey, Sarah/Oriilla Library	Newby, Glen/New Path
Cochrane, Health/RVRHC	Muscat, Brian, Georgian College	Evans, Eric/Morton Youth Services	Paul, Louise (Past Chair)/CTN
Collins, Joy/NSM LHIN	Nielsen, Hanne/SCDSB	Forget, Laura/BANAC	Roxborough, Nancy/CMHA
Cousins, Claudine, SCS	Riewe, Natalie for Shoreman, Carolyn/SMDHU	Green, Colin/Gilbert Centre	Thompson, Joy/Elizabeth Fry
D'Ambrosio, Lora/County of Simcoe	Simmons-Physick, Chris/Kinark	Hirstwood, Karen/Catulpa	Thomson, James, New Path Foundation
Dooley-Phillips, Geraldine/SMFC	Vallis-Page, Christine/E3	Hough, Phil (Past Chair)/OSMH	
Fisher, Michelle /211	Vanderbyl, Christine/OEYC	Jeffery, David /Chigamik	
	Watts, Leslie/Catulpa		

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1. Welcome & Roundtable	<p>Kimberley welcomed and thanked everyone for attending. Kimberley presented the Land Acknowledgement Statement and thanked Simcoe Muskoka Catholic District School Board for use of the meeting room at St. Joseph's High School. A roundtable introduction took place.</p> <p>Kimberley commended Kathy Manners, Coalition Coordinator, on her epic adventure, biking across Canada. Members are encouraged to share similar events/adventures with us.</p> <p>Kimberley welcomed new representatives Heather Cochrane, RVRHC, and Lora D'Ambrosio from the County of Simcoe.</p> <p>Louise was unable to attend today, but her work as Chair of the Coalition was acknowledged as she moves into the Past Chair role.</p>	

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		<p>Philip Hough was also recognized for his guidance and leadership over the past three years. Thank you to Louise and Phil.</p> <p>The Executive Committee recognizes the value and importance of Member Flash Updates and would like to try a new process to enable enough time is provided to include everyone who has information to share. At the start of each Council meeting, a sheet will be circulated for members to sign up if they have an update to share.</p>	
2.	<p><b>Consent Agenda</b></p> <p>2.1 Council Minutes May 31, 2018</p> <p>2.2 Integrated Planning Table Minutes May 8 and June 12, 2018</p> <p>2.3 Executive Committee Minutes May 16 and June 12, 2018</p> <p>2.4 Approval of Agenda</p> <p>2.5 Statement of Operations August 31, 2018</p> <p>2.6 Child Youth Family Infographic</p>	<p><b>Motion:</b></p> <p>Moved by Liz McKeeman, seconded by Karine Barrass, that the Consent Agenda package of September 20, 2018, be approved. All in favour; <b>carried</b>.</p>	
3.	Coalition Membership Fees Update	38 membership renewal fees for 2018/19, totaling almost \$119,000 have been received to date. Four renewals remain outstanding compared to six, this time last year. All but one 2017/2018 HST repayments has been received.	The Member Relations Officer will connect with members with outstanding dues the end of September.
4.	Warm Transfer Guideline	<p>Chris Brens, Integrated Planning Table (IPT) Co-Chair spoke about the work of the IPT last fall. One of the deliverables was a Warm Transfer Guideline which had previously been discussed at Council. The guideline is a best practice suggestion for interested agencies to assist families to link to services within two attempts of doing so.</p> <p>The IPT is looking to move forward with piloting the guidelines this fall. Some members of IPT identified an interest in being involved in the pilot and it is open to any Coalition agency interested in participating.</p> <p>Michelle Fisher advised 211's availability to support the process and participate in the subcommittee. An overview of 211 was provided; it was noted that there had been discussion about using 211 at some point, to be further discussed as part of the next steps.</p>	Email Julie if interested in joining the pilot.
5.	Advocacy/Government Relations Officer Vacancy	<p>Melanie McLearn, has taken on the role of Coalition Vice Chair, creating a vacancy for the Coalition's Advocacy/Government Relation Officer. Melanie provided a brief overview of the position and her committed to working with the new person.</p> <p>If anyone is interested, or knows someone who would fit this role and would be a good additional to the Executive Committee, contact Julie.</p>	Email Julie re interest/potential candidates.

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6.	Annual Coalition Overview	Kathy presented the annual overview of the Coalition which also outlines the roles and responsibilities of Council members. We want to engage members to attend meetings and Kathy will be reaching out to have conversations how to make meetings more meaningful.	 September Coalition Presentation to Mem
7.	Members' Report	Kimberley reviewed the Members' Report which will be included in the Coalition Weekly News and Updates, and will be housed on the Coalition website <a href="http://www.simcoecountycoalition.ca/wp-content/uploads/2018/09/Members-Report-2018.pdf">http://www.simcoecountycoalition.ca/wp-content/uploads/2018/09/Members-Report-2018.pdf</a> .	
8.	2018-2021 Strategic Plan	<p>The 2018-2021 Strategic Plan was reviewed. The major elements have already been approved by Council. An accessibility version is also being produced. It is a living document that will continue to be enhanced. We are working with a graphic design student from Georgian College who will be looking at refreshing our branding.</p> <p>The strategic priorities have been identified and will lead to the development of a workplan.</p> <p>A discussion took place around measurement/evaluation and if a tool/framework, such as RBA, will be used. RBA was utilized by the Coalition in the past and was recognized as a good tool but not necessarily the only one that could be used. The evaluation framework will come back for a decision at Council.</p> <p><b>Motion:</b>            Moved by Lesley Watts, seconded by Tracey Carter, that the Coalition 2018-2021 Strategic Plan by approved.            All in favour. <b>Carried.</b></p> <p>The Strategic Plan Working group was recognized and thanked for their great work in helping to develop the Plan.</p>	
9.	Letter of Support – Child Advocacy Centre	<p>Tracey Carter, Executive Director of the Child Advocacy Centre Simcoe/Muskoka has requested a letter of support from the Coalition in support of provincial funding for the development and sustainability of Child/Youth Advocacy Centres across Ontario. The benefits of this program experienced by both Barrie Police Services and Simcoe Muskoka Family Connexions were shared.</p> <p>Tracey left the room while the draft letter of support from the Coalition was reviewed and voted on.</p> <p><b>Motion:</b></p>	A letter of support to be provided to CAC.

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		<p>Moved by Christine Vallis-Page, seconded by Geraldine Dooley-Phillips that the Coalition approve the letter of support to the Child Advocacy Centre. All in favour. Carried</p> <p>On her return to the meeting, Tracey thanked the Coalition for their support and spoke about how important membership in the Coalition is to her agency.</p>	
10.	Vulnerable Sector Checks	<p>Kimberley introduced Nicole Lees, Records Manager for Barrie Police who provided an overview of Vulnerable Sector Checks (VSC) which are conducted to determine if an individual seeking employment and/or volunteering has any convictions for a sexual offence for which a record suspension was granted.</p> <p>Nicole outlined the definition of a Vulnerable Person and who would require a Vulnerable Sector Check.</p> <p>It is the responsibility of the employer/agency to determine the need for a VSC. Police Services are required to check the requirements are met in order to conduct a VSC. The VSC is position based and relates to how the person is in a position of trust or authority over a child or vulnerable person. VSCs must be completed at the police service where the person resides and take approximately two weeks.</p> <p>Questions were asked and answered.</p> <p>There is an on-line Police Record check application available 24/7 which is mailed out when complete. <a href="http://www.policiesolutions.ca/checks/services/barrie/index.php">http://www.policiesolutions.ca/checks/services/barrie/index.php</a></p>	 Vulnerable Sector Checks.pdf
11.	<b>Hot Topic:</b> Early Mental Health Committee Update	<p>Kimberley introduced Mary Jean Watson, Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit, and Kristina Polsen, Simcoe Muskoka Family Connexions who provided a presentation on the Early Mental Health (EMH) Committee. The objective of the presentation is to increase knowledge and awareness regarding early mental health, have members consider how responsive their agency's policies and procedures are to the impact of early mental health, and to identify agencies' calls to action.</p> <p>The Executive Summary, A Call to Action on Behalf of Maltreated Infants, Toddlers and Preschoolers in Canada, requesting endorsement to bring forward changes to resources in the system, was shared. <a href="http://www.imhpromotion.ca/Portals/0/IMHP%20PDFs/Projects/A%20">http://www.imhpromotion.ca/Portals/0/IMHP%20PDFs/Projects/A%20</a></p>	 EMHC.PowerPoint.2018 (004) KP.pdf

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		<p><a href="http://www.imhpromotion.ca/Training-Events/IMH-Community-Training">Call%20to%20Action%20-%20IMHP%20April%202017.pdf?ver=2017-05-03-111123-957</a></p> <p>The local EMH plan which includes, Change Knowledge, Change Policy and Change Practice were reviewed. The committee is trying to change the system and change the focus to early prevention.</p> <p>The Infant Mental Health Community Training Certification was discussed and members were encouraged to look at the modules. <a href="http://www.imhpromotion.ca/Training-Events/IMH-Community-Training">http://www.imhpromotion.ca/Training-Events/IMH-Community-Training</a></p> <p>Members broke into groups to talk about what their Call to Action could be. What they could do to bring information forward, change policy, knowledge, or practice within their own organizations.</p> <p><b>Motion:</b> Moved by Kimberley Greenwood, seconded by Lesley Watts, that the Coalition provide a letter of support endorsing the Call to Action on behalf of Maltreated Infants, Toddlers and Preschoolers in Canada. All in favour. <b>Carried.</b></p>	A letter of support to be prepared and sent.
12.	Member Flash Updates:	<p><b>Simcoe Muskoka Family Connexions</b> – Melanie reported October is Child Abuse Prevention Month. Dress purple day is October 24<sup>th</sup>. Foster Family Appreciation week is October 14-20. There is a need for foster families - information session on Oct. 17<sup>th</sup> at 60 Bell Farm. Melanie gave an update on the Human Trafficking grant. Geraldine advised they are coming to the end of their strategic plan and are beginning to plan for the next two years; will be doing some consultations with community members. The transition of indigenous services to DBCFS takes place the end of February and a presentation to Council is scheduled for the November meeting. Geraldine also provided an update on attending a report back following the apology by child welfare agencies a year ago which included a ceremony and reconciliation at Rama, and noted it would be good to bring some voices to this table re what it means for broader organizations.</p> <p><b>CS Viamonde</b> – Karine reported on the September 25<sup>th</sup> Franco-Ontarian Day celebrations taking place at Barrie City Hall and the forum being hosting today by Entité 4 on access to services for the Francophone community.</p> <p><b>Child Advocacy Centre</b> - Tracey gave an update on the Soul Expression Hip Hop dance program that starts next week for youth</p>	<a href="http://www.oacas.org/dr/esspurpleday/">http://www.oacas.org/dr/esspurpleday/</a>

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	<p>who have experienced trauma as an alternative to talk therapy. Tracy also spoke about the impact of their new facility dog, Moose, who has joined them through the COPE program.</p> <p><b>SMDHU</b> - Natalie also reported on their strategic planning process which included some members from Coalition attending consultations. An opioid strategy has been developed and a presentation or update around this and/or the cannabis legislation could be provided to Council. Registration is now open for a prenatal conference being hosted by SMDHU on Oct. 25<sup>th</sup> at Fern Resort</p> <p><b>SCDSB</b> – Hanne shared the Special Education Advisory Committee is reviewing its membership and is seeking representation from agencies to potentially join the committee.</p> <p><b>CAPC</b> - Lesley passed out an invitation to join the CAPC's 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration taking place on November 5<sup>th</sup> at Barrie City Hall and spoke about CAPC's history as one of the first Coalition activities. Lesley also shared CAPC rack cards.</p> <p><b>Georgian College</b> - Brian spoke about the designation received a year ago as Changemaker Campus from Ashoka U, related to social innovation, change making, improving community. Students pay a \$25 ancillary fee which is used for students to apply to do research, initiatives etc.</p> <p><b>County of Simcoe</b> - Lora provided information on the future Regional Service Hub to be built in Orillia on the old ODCVI site. Open houses will be held in 2019 to seek input re design, amenities, and services to be offered. The deadline for submission of nominations for Newcomer Recognition Awards through the Local Immigration Partnership is tomorrow (although will probably accept into next week).</p> <p><b>Simcoe Community Services</b> – Claudine reported that through the Grandparent System Support Program, they are hosting their second annual Blossom Where You are Planted Conference on Oct. 26<sup>th</sup> at 750 Essa Road, Barrie.</p> <p><b>Barrie Public Library</b> – Lauren advised that in partnership with Lakehead, they have a social work student starting in January. An invite was extended to attend Comic Con at the library from 9:30-4:00 on Saturday.</p>	<p>Julie to send out flyer.</p> <p>A SEAC information package is available.</p> <p>Contact Lesley for additional CAPC rack cards or any questions.</p>

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		<p><b>New Path</b> – Liz provided information on Parents for Children’s Metal Health who meet 10/year, the third Tuesday/month, and shared bookmarks. Liz also advised the new government has not made a statement on MOMH and that the Children’s Mental Health portfolio will be moving to the Ministry of Health April 1<sup>st</sup>; therefore, a decision re system alignment is on hold. Training is underway with community providers to understand different pathways and service available in North Simcoe (will also be addressing south Simcoe) for children and youth experiencing a mental health crisis and will be posted on-line.</p> <p><b>Youth Haven</b> - Lucy reported on the grant received from the Telus Barrie Community Board that was used to create a newsletter full of resource information, stories, art and calendar of activities, by youth to share with other youth; hope to include it on their website. Lucy also spoke about the Rent Smart Certificate Program, a partnership with the County of Simcoe, to empower youth 16-24 with life skills so they know how to become good tenants and maintain permanent housing.</p>	<p>Contact Liz if interested in training or have questions.</p> <p>Contact Lucy or Youth Haven for referrals.</p>
13.	Exit Ticket Report – May 31, 2018	<p>Melanie provided an overview of the exit tickets from the May 31<sup>st</sup> Council meeting. There were 20 members in attendance with 18 exit tickets completed (90%).</p> <p>Motion to adjourn by Chris Brens, seconded by Roz Junke.</p>	

**Next Meeting: Thursday, November 22, 2018, Simcoe Muskoka Family Connexions, 60 Bell Farm Road, Barrie.**