




COALITION COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, November 28, 2019
12:30 – 3:30pm
NSM LHIN, 210 Memorial Avenue, Orillia



Attended		Regrets	
McLearn, Melanie/SMFC (Chair)	Manners, Kathryn (Coordinator)	Adams, Linda/Waypoint	Hirstwood, Karen/Catulpa
Cousins, Claudine (Vice Chair), Empower Simcoe	McAlpine, Julie (Recorder)	Bergin, Michelle/CFSSC Berard, Mandy/Dnaagdawenmag	Jackson, Brenda/BANAC
Biddell, Dale, UWSM	Mink, Danielle/SCDSB	Binnoojiyag	Jeffery, David /Chigamik Kennedy,
Blue, Danette/MCCSS	Norris, Michael/CS Viamonde	Bernard, Sylvia/La Clé	Joan/Seasons Centre Kottka, Darrell/Morton House
Butler, Angela/Barrie Police Services	Papple, Sarah/Orillia Library	Carney, Patrick/SMCDSB	Mansell, Tracy/Kerry's Place
D'Ambrosio, Lora/County of Simcoe	Sandy, Theresa, BANAC	Carter, Tracey/Child Advocacy Centre	McCarthy, Suzanna, John Howard
Eisler, Karen/CTN	Shoreman, Carolyn/SMDHU	Clarke, John/Mackenzie Health	McKeeman, Elizabeth/New Path
Gowers, Lucy/Youth Haven	Sontag, Kim, NSM LHIN	Cochrane, Heather/RVRHC	Muscat, Brian, Georgian College
Jessop, Lauren, Barrie Public Library	Thomson, James, New Path Foundation	Collins, Joy/NSM LHIN	Nielsen, Hanne/SCDSB
Junke, Rosslyn/United Way	Vallis-Page, Christine/E3	Croteau, Gerry/Gilbert Centre	Roxborough, Nancy/CMHA
Leduc, Rhonda/Elizabeth Fry	Watts, Leslie/Catulpa	Desroches, Sara, Gilda's Club	Simmons-Physick, Chris/Kinark
Levesque, Yves/ CSC MonAvenir		Dooley-Phillips, Geraldine/SMFC	Smith, Shirley/YMCA
		Fisher, Michelle /211	Vanderbyl, Christine/EarlyOn
		Forget, Laura/BANAC	West, Kelly/Kerry's Place
		Greenwood, Kimberley (Past Chair)/ Barrie Police	
Guest: Grace, MSW student			

Thank you to the NSM LHIN for the use of meeting space for today's meeting.

Item		Status	Action
1.	Welcome, Land Acknowledgement and Roundtable Introduction	Melanie welcomed everyone to the meeting including new members Karen Eisler, from CTN and Michael Norris from CS MonAvenir. A roundtable introduction took place.	
2.	Award of Excellence	Melanie reviewed the criteria for the Award of Excellence and presented the 2019 Coalition Award of Excellence to Rosslyn Junke for her efforts to advance collective action and collaboration and her participation on many planning tables and committees as she continually strives to achieve a larger community impact. Roz thanked the Coalition and her peers around the table for their support and spoke of the importance of collaboration and relationships.	
3.	Consent Agenda 3.1 Council Minutes September 26, 2019	Motion: Moved by Yves Levesque, seconded by Lesley Watts, that the Consent Agenda package of November 28, 2019, be approved.	

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	3.2 Integrated Planning Table Minutes September 10 and October 8, 2019 3.3 Executive Committee Minutes September 16 and October 21, 2019 3.4 Approval of Agenda 3.5 Statement of Operations October 31, 2019	All in favour; carried.	
4.	2019/20 Membership Renewal	Melanie reported we have received 39 out of 40 membership renewals totaling \$114,300 and thanked everyone for payment of their dues.	
5.	Advocacy 5.1 Pulse Poll Sept. 26/19	<p>Sarah provided an update on the work of the Advocacy Group. The Pulse Poll taken at the September Council meeting identified connection to community and safe shelter as the two enabling factors as most helpful to someone in a low income situation. The Advocacy group is looking for direction from its members how to move forward to advocate around this.</p> <p>A discussion ensued and members shared their thoughts around these two factors. Income solutions was also identified as an enabling factor. The Advocacy group has a paper on a Living Wage on their Coalition website page. There has been a lot of focus and work on access to safe shelter and efforts may be better directed towards connection to community. Many members considered safe shelter and connection to community as being intertwined.</p> <p>Also discussed looking at what poverty means to families, it is often the root cause of so many of the issues families face. Our pulse poll results show most agencies are serving families impacted by poverty, it straddles all programs.</p> <p>It was suggested looking at the housing piece first, what we bring as service providers and include this in the introductory section of the position paper so we recognize others' mandates. Including/using data better and getting stories that illustrate changes to outcomes was also suggested.</p>	<p>https://simcoecountycoalition.ca/advocacy/</p> <p>Advocacy group to take this back to work on.</p>
6.	Strategic Workplan 6.1 Integrated Planning Table Update 6.2 Executive Committee Update 6.2.1 Dashboard	<p>Integrated Planning Table Update (IPT): Yves provided an update on the work of the IPT and its subcommittees. The <u>TAY group</u> is looking at the results from the survey from the Navigating Transitions event for takeaways, next steps. The <u>Manual for People with Lived Experience group</u> is looking at resource material. The <u>Equity, Diversity and Inclusion group</u> is working on a self-assessment survey for agencies to look at their level of cultural competency and the <u>Warm Transfer group</u> has reconvened and is working on a best practice guideline.</p>	

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		<p>Executive Committee Update: Melanie reported work is continuing on the dashboard. Two indicators have been identified for each of the four domains and the Dashboard Group is working on getting data sources. Anna Drexler (Capacity Building Officer) and Kathy Manner attended the recent Data Consortium meeting to speak about the dashboard and are waiting to see if it can be taken on as a collaborative project with them.</p> <p>Today's presentation from will feed into the work on the dashboard.</p>	
7.	Endorsement/Letter of Support Process	<p>As there had been a couple of requests for letter of support recently it seemed timely to review the process. With the demands on members' time the Executive Committee looked at streamlining the process and are looking for direction from members regarding approval of requests for letters of support/endorsement.</p> <p>Discussion ensued. Requests for endorsement or letters of support are to be sent to the Coordinator by the Council representative within two weeks of their due date. Requests will be taken to Executive to review criteria is met and for recommendation to go to Council for approval. The onus is on members to respond in a timely manner. If consensus is met, the letter will be sent out unless an issue detrimental to the Coalition is identified.</p> <p>Agencies can request a letter of support regardless if another agency has also requested one for the same funding/grant/initiative, etc. (may be opportunities for collaboration). A standardized letter of support has been created and a request form will be available on the Advocacy page of the Coalition website.</p> <p>Members can also request letters of support from individual agencies, through the Coalition Weekly News and Updates.</p>	<p>Requests for letters of support will continue to be approved by Council members.</p> <p>Remove list of member agencies from letter of support.</p>
8.	HOT TOPIC: Canadian Index of Child and Youth Well-Being	<p>The Canadian Index of Wellbeing is a composite index built by, and for, children and youth across Canada, composed of 125 indicators in eight interconnected dimensions measuring stability and change in the wellbeing of Canadians over time. Last year, Orillia participated in developing their index.</p> <p>Melanie introduced Lisa Wolff, Director, Policy and Research from UNICEF Canada who presented on the Canadian Index of Child and Youth Well-being.</p> <p>Lisa spoke about partnering with communities to host Change Summits, bringing young people together with community</p>	 <p>OUR BIG SELFIE _Simcoe County_UNIC</p>

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		<p>programmers. There are tools available to help with this. They are also working on a community level survey for communities across Canada to take questions to kids directly to get their own data. This would be good for Simcoe County as we have the Coalition and a diverse geographic population.</p> <p>Discussed what stands out to Coalition members and how can we use the index. Data sources were discussed. There is a child youth planning table in Waterloo that might be able to share data resources.</p> <p>A few hard copies of the report are available. The full report is available on-line http://oneyouth.unicef.ca/index.</p>	<p>Danette will reach out to Waterloo (CER Region) to see how they are using it.</p> <p>Contact Julie for a hard copy of report.</p>
9.	Coalition “Claps”	<p>The Coalition Awards and Recognition Nomination Committee recommended infusing recognition into the culture of the Coalition. In addition to continuing with the annual Award of Excellence, we will be adding “Coalition Claps” as a monthly agenda item. Members are invited to send in recommendations for “Claps” in recognition of initiatives where collaboration and community impact are taking place.</p> <p>Three Coalition Claps were given out today. Best Start Network for their 15 year anniversary as a planning table, Samantha Docherty for her work on the creation of the Pathways to Child and Youth Mental Health & Addictions, and Mary Jefferies and Monika Milek-Hopkins, Midland Campus teachers with the SCDSB for their work on the KARMA project supporting the health and well-being of multiple elementary schools in Midland making sure students have access to healthy snacks and peer mentorship and providing at-risk secondary students in the community with an opportunity to provide leadership and direction in their own community while earning credits toward their high school diploma. A letter of recognition will be sent to all three.</p>	<p>Send recommendations to Julie via email or through sign-up sheet at Council meetings.</p> <p>Add as a standing agenda item to Council, Executive and IPT agendas.</p>
10.	Member Flash Updates:	<p>Lesley Watts –The Early Mental Health task group was chosen to host community tables with regards to developing early mental health pathways, in partnership with New Path, the County of Simcoe and the Centre of Excellence. Members are asked to review the invitation and be thoughtful who should attend from your organization, if appropriate, the two days of meeting (one day in January and February).</p> <p>Yves Levesque – French Compass meetings take place 3-4 times/year (next meeting: Jan. 27). Yves is the rep and can be contacted if interested in attending to share/receive information. Yves also reported on the labour situation at the French Board and that there will be more job actions being taken in the next two weeks.</p>	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  <small>Invitation_Early Mental Health Pathwa</small> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <small>Invitation_FR Simcoe County.pdf</small> </div> </div> <p>Contact Yves if interested in attending.</p>

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		<p>Carolyn Shoreman provided an update on the announcement from the Spring of the modernization of Public Health for which the Coalition provided a letter of support in keeping SMDHU as one unit. The province has advised that this has been paused. A survey was released Nov. 18th for stakeholders to provide feedback. There may be some change how services intersect in the next 5 years, but the vision is yet to be defined. There has been some shift in funding to municipalities but not to the extent first announced. The Board of Health made a recommendation to remain in the same structure/entity.</p> <p>United Way Simcoe Muskoka – Roz advised a call has gone out for Youth United Applications for up to \$2500 for youth to partner with a community agency. Also looking for youth to sit on the Youth Council to review applications. The expression of interest for new collaborative projects closes tomorrow. Launching the Urgent Needs Fund where clients who need a bit more money can apply for a one time grant. 211 is doing the intake/assessment, hook up to services and will capture the data on these grants.</p> <p>Youth Haven – Lucy spoke about the launch of their Boxes of Hope fundraising initiative for \$50 in honour of the hard to buy for person. Each box gives a youth 3 healthy meals, shower, gifts under the tree, and a sense of belonging. They have also joined Giving Tuesday.</p> <p>Family Connexions – Melanie advised their organization is the recipient of toy mountain and will have a community partners' day. If your agency has not been invited and are interested in sending a staff, let Melanie know.</p>	Contact Melanie for more information.
11.	Exit Ticket Report – September 26, 2019	<p>The exit tickets results from the last meeting were reviewed. 72% feedback was received last meeting.</p> <p>Melanie thanked everyone for attending. Meeting adjourned at 3:30pm</p>	Members are encouraged to bring their own water bottle to Council meetings.

Next Meeting: Thursday, January 23, 2019, Simcoe County District School Board, 1170 Hwy 26, Midhurst