



WW Regional Human Services and Justice Coordination Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: March 6, 2015
Time: 9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Location: 486 Silvercreek Parkway N., Unit 1, Guelph ON
Boardroom

Present: Sharon Deally-Grzybowski, Anthony Piscitelli, Doug Sheppard, Janos Botschner, Kerry Manthenga, Mary-Jo Shearer, Rob Martin, Pam McIntosh, Tom Gill, Rhonda Frank, Sarah Nelson, Ian Sykes, Tobi Harris, Don Roth

Guests: Jennifer Robinson, Conestoga College, Community and Criminal Justice Program Coordinator, Leslie Ann Cunningham, Kim Henriquez, Alison McNulty (Conestoga College students)

Regrets: Linda Elliott, Marylou Schwindt, Joan Nandlal, Jim Izzard, A. J. Grant-Nicholson, Angela Vanderheyden

Recorder: Jean Defaux

Item for Discussion	Discussion
1. Welcome, Introductions Sharon Deally-Grzybowski	Agenda accepted as presented Minutes of December 5, 2014 accepted by consensus.
2. Conestoga College MH Court Project report update Jennifer Robinson	<p>Conestoga students Kim, Alison and Leslie Ann presented draft hardcopy description of the Waterloo Regional Mental Health Court Process along with two process maps showing what happens if the individual:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • goes to trial, enters a plea or becomes part of the Diversion Process • is found Unfit to Stand Trial or is found Not Criminally Responsible <p>Outcomes were not shown on process maps due to changes in legislation.</p> <p>The students were helped with understanding the court process by interviewing Kitchener Crown Linda Elliott and CMHA WWD Mental Health Court Coordinator Joslyn Gaston along with information found in academic literature. A brief summary of the final report was presented (see attached). Comments/feedback on this summary is appreciated. Please direct feedback to Sharon. Feedback on the final report when received will be welcomed before the end of April. As this end the end of phase 1 of the project, Jennifer hopes that phase 2 will be worked on by next year's students.</p>



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<p>3. “Designing Justice Services for Youth and Family” update - Don Roth</p>	<p>Further to the information presented at December’s meeting, the brief has now been shared with Chris Higgins, who works with the forensic branch of Ministry of Health. Chris, in turn, has shared the brief with various government committees he works on.</p> <p>Locally, desire is to look at the youth centered view of the engagement process. Three issues regarding consent were identified on page 2 of the Proposed Project Concept document dated March 6, 2015. Partners are hoping to develop a protocol for working with youths with only verbal consent for a while before they need to sign the consent documentation.</p> <p>It was suggested pulling in early education organizations to start prevention at a young age.</p> <p>This project will become part of the HSJCC work plan for 2015-2016. It is still to be determined if the HSJCC committee’s budget of \$4,000 will be needed for this project. Don will return with the full scope of work to be done.</p>
<p>4. Specialized Crisis Team Partnership – Police perspective update- Doug Sheppard</p>	<p>The Waterloo Regional Enhanced Crisis System Partnership 2015 update was given by means of a Power Point presentation (see attached). Overall Project Goals were reviewed along with statistical data and future challenges. It is estimated the program has saved more than 1,000 hours of officer time. As a result of this initiative, partners WWLHIN, CMHA WWD and WRPS “are providing better mental health care to the residents of our Region at the scene of their crisis and it is improving steadily on a year over year basis.”</p> <p>It was suggested it might be interesting to import stats from similar programs in other areas for comparison purposes.</p> <p>Desired further enhancements to the service would be to provide family support by means of a dedicated Support Coordinator.</p> <p>Janos invited Doug to speak to Conestoga College students on the topic-especially the successful work interaction between psychiatric nurses and police.</p>
<p>5. Strategic Information Agenda</p>	<p>Following up from December’s discussion, Janos used a Power Point presentation to further the feasibility of <u><i>Developing a Strategic Information Agenda for the Waterloo-Wellington HSJCC.</i></u> He solicited comments on</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What types of information needs do we have?



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<p>planning – Janos Botschner</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What purposes does this information serve? • What are our needs related to information sharing/transfer? • Next steps? <p>After discussion the committee decided, by consensus, that a future morning meeting would be dedicated to creating an agenda, potentially this summer or early fall. Invitations should also be extended to individuals at the Senior Services, WWLHIN program council, HSJCC provincial committee, and MCYS (perhaps Edwina Godin?). It was not determined if an external facilitator would be used or if Janos would continue to facilitate. Expectation from the half-day session would be to produce green documents that have value on which work can go forward.</p>
<p>6. Update from Committee Partners</p>	<p>Sharon:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kitchener/Cambridge HSJCC committee is showing the film Not Criminally Responsible on March 11th from 4:30 to 8 p.m. at the court house. John Kastner, director of the film, will be there to answer questions. • On March 12 at the Guelph Drop In Centre at 23 Gordon St. there will be a Lunch and Learn discussion on community partnerships. Let Sharon know if you want to attend. <p>Anthony:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Crime Prevention Council is sharing the results of its community Strategic Plan consultations at 9 a.m. on Friday, March 13th at the Victoria Park pavilion. Let Anthony know if you want to attend. <p>Kerry Manthenga:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stonehenge is sponsoring 2 -3 day withdrawal management workshops on March. Workshops are full; hope is to run another workshop in the spring.
<p>7. New Business</p>	<p>None at this meeting</p>

Next meeting: Friday, June 5, 2015 at 67 King St. E., Kitchener – 9:30 a.m.