# Human Services and Justice Coordinating Committee Thursday, January 9, 2020 at 12:15 p.m. Canadian Mental Health Association 329-A Pitt Street, Cornwall

480 McGill Street, Suite 104, Hawkesbury (next door to usual location)

#### **Minutes**

#### 1. Call to order:

The meeting was called to order at 12:15 p.m.

#### 2. Present:

Angel Quesnel Addiction and Mental Health Services
Jenna David Akwesasne Community Justice Program

Johanne Renaud CMHA – Champlain East
Raquel Beauvais-Godard
Lucie Charbonneau CMHA – Champlain East
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Hawkesbury General Hospital

Mallory Ouellette Laurencrest
Jade Roy Ontario Works

Jérémy O'Grady Prescott-Russell Victim Services
Martine Sabourin Probation and Parole Services

Sandra Langevin Secretary

Michelle Gosselin Victim Services of S.D.G.&A.

Sheila Tallon (Co-Chair) Victim Witness Assistance Program, S.D. & G.

Marissa Moher Youturn

#### Regrets:

Joanne Ledoux-Moshonas CMHA – Champlain East

Mélissa Bouchard Ontario Provincial Police, Prescott-Russell

Jim Blanchette Ontario Provincial Police, Stormont, Dundas & Glengarry

Chantal Prieur Victim Services of S.D.G.&A.

#### Absent:

Kelsey McDaniel Autism Ontario

George Knezevic Cornwall Community Police Service Sabrina Peacock Fetal Alcohol Resource Program

Angela Dassa John Howard Society
Chantal Finn-Losier Legal Aid Ontario
Lynn Bradley Legal Aid Ontario

Robert Hawkins Ministry of Children and Youth Services
Mario Gratton Ontario Provincial Police, Prescott-Russell
Cheryl Bass/Kristal Hennigar Ottawa-Carleton Detention Centre

Kate Baker The Royal Marie-Eve Poulin Valoris

Alanna Wall/Kim Hayward Youth Now Intervention Services

#### 3. Adoption of the Agenda

The agenda was approved as circulated. Adopted by Angel Quesnel, seconded by Lucie Charbonneau. Carried.

## 4. Adoption of the Minutes

The minutes of the last meeting held Thursday, November 7, 2019 were approved as circulated. Adopted by Johanne Renaud, seconded by Benoit St. Jean. Carried.

#### 5. **HSJCC Budget**

#### 5.1 **2019-2020 Budget**

Sheila presented the year to date budget as of November 30, 2019. We have a surplus of \$4,093.34. Sheila and Joanne LM will get together to review the upcoming year budget and see what money is allocated for what and what money is left. Don't think there is much left.

- Joanne R. asked that the amount for the mileage allotted for attending the Regional meetings be increased. Joanne attends these meetings in Ottawa on our local's behalf.
- The training that was done for Hoarding in Boston in June does not appear on the budget. Sheila will ask Raquel to speak to Joanne LM to confirm that this amount was included in the budget.

Sheila will verify and review the budget with Joanne LM. An update will be given at the next meeting.

## 6. Champlain Regional HSJCC

# 6.1 Champlain Regional HSJCC meeting update (Johanne Renaud)

Report from the Regional Meeting held on November 26, 2019 in Ottawa from Johanne Renaud, local HSJCC Representative at the Regional level:

- Since the regional HSJCC is also the local for the Ottawa area, the meeting was mostly on defining their priorities and sub committees (Education, Orientation package, Animal care while in treatment or incarcerated).
- Joan Garrow also mentioned that the provincial conference ran into a deficit this year. Johanne R. shared by email with the Regional members, the poster presentations she presented with Lucie Charbonneau at the HSJCC Provincial Conference.
- It was discussed that Joan Garrow, the regional Chair was gathering feedback on the impact of the Legal Aid changes. Johanne reminded the local members that this can be sent anonymously to her so this can be shared with Joan who will then bring it to the Provincial HSJCCs attention.

#### 7. **SDG-PR Workplan 2019-2020**

#### 7.1 HSJCC Activities and update from Chairs of the sub-committees

- This is a workplan that consists of 5 items, including various activities, outputs, outcomes, pillars, timelines and budgets. Some are carry-overs from the previous years. Members sign up to sit on the sub-committees that are of interest to them. You look at what deliverables you would like to achieve based on the pillars. There is also a Lead for each sub-committee; there are 5. The Lead contacts the members in the sub-committee and tried to arrange for a meeting to discuss issues. You then bring back that information at this meeting. For new members, if you are interested in joining some, please let us know. We encourage you to sign-up for one that you work for and would be beneficial for your agency.
- The Co-Chairs get together six months in, midterm, at the end of the term to create a report that must be sent to the Regional HSJCC.
- The SDG and the PR area working groups can work separately but discuss what is being done.
- Role of Sub-Committee Leads:

- Set meeting date and time with members in between Steering Committee meetings
- Review the 2019 2020 Workplan and establish objectives / action plan to meet the outputs and outcomes
- Identify a Sub-Committee secretary that would be on a rotation basis at each meeting (shared committee member responsibility)
- Present meeting minutes / activities to the Steering committee
- Sub-Committees 3 & 5 will be combined as there are parallel objectives to be achieved.

#### #1 Collaboration and collaborative care

- o SDG members: Mark Arnold, Robert Hawkins and Sabrina Peacock.
- PR members: Lucie Charbonneau (Lead), Lynne Bradley and Benoit St. Jean
- A welcoming letter and a fact sheet were created but it needed corrections.
   Minor revisions will be made and updated and uploaded on the website.

#### #2 Direct Services

- SDG members: Sheila Tallon (Lead), Angel Quesnel, Mark Arnold, Raquel Beauvais-Godard, Mallory Ouellette, Robert Hawkins, Jim Blanchet and Kelsey Benoit.
- o PR members: no one.
- Sheila attempted to set up a meeting however only Mallory attended. The meeting was cancelled.

# #3 Training and professional development as identified by the HSJCC members

- SDG members: Joanne Ledoux-Moshonas (Lead), Angel Quesnel, Sheila Tallon, Kate Baker, Jim Blanchette, Mark Arnold, Mallory Ouellette, Jenna David, Kelsey Benoit, Jenny McDonald and Sabrina Peacock.
- o PR members: Benoit St. Jean.
- Nothing to report.

# • #4: Services and system performance, monitoring and evaluation

- SDG members: Raquel Beauvais-Godard (Lead) and Angel Quesnel.
- o PR members: No one.
- No meeting was set. A plan will be finalized upon next meeting in February 2020.

#### #5: Knowledge translation and exchange

- SDG members: Joanne Ledoux-Moshonas (Lead), Jim Blanchette and Jenny McDonald.
- o PR members: no one.
- Nothing to report.
- ➤ Comment that we understand that people are feeling over stretched and overwhelmed with work and committees and so on. We have to keep encouraging our teams to get together and do the best that they can.
- ➤ Joanne R. shared that as per the Regional meetings, we have done a lot and more than some other locals. We're doing very well. That was encouraging to hear!

- Lucie commented that there is a direct reality of service, there's an impact there. But as a Case Manager Worker, she sees the delivery of the Red (Envelope) Property Bag and the Release from Custody Program working well. It's a direct service to the client. Even if we're not doing the clerical part or updating of our meetings, they are seeing and doing a difference.
- ➤ Johanne R. commented that because we're in such a distant area from the court, we get people coming to bail hearings and then getting released. In the winter, they are without coats and boots and so on. We have funds in our budget this year to buy supplies such as coats, gloves and tuques. That's a great initiative!! Thank you!
- We should keep some money in our budget for future expenses like this just in case.

# 7.2 Cornwall Mental Health & Developmental Disabilities Court Committee Update (Raquel)

Raquel explained that there is no news to report for the cost for the retrofitting of the cell for our Mental Health and Developmental Disability Court where the accused would be assessed via OTN by a forensic psychiatrist from The Royal. The finance decisions are under the purview of the Facility Management Bureau with Ministry of the Attorney General. Raquel and Farhanna will send out an invitation and test interest. Raquel will meet with Joanne R. and Justice Perkins-McVey at the next Regional Meeting. Justice Perkins-McVey is very interested in developing and supporting the eastern region in launching such a specialized court.

#### 7.3 **Situation Table:**

#### 7.3.1 SDG&A Situation Table (Raquel BG)

Raquel participates on the Steering Committee for the SDG&C Situation Table. Membership is growing. There will be training on February 26<sup>th</sup> in Cornwall. The details will be sent our shortly. The previous training was very successful. With respect to sustainability, the Steering Committee is preparing a proposal for funding to cover costs of the materials (ie: posters, signage) and the Coordinator's salary. The high level of positive outcomes and collaboration shows that the program works.

#### 7.3.2 PR Situation Table Initiative (Mario Gratton)

Jade shared that there is a new Coordinator, Adrien Joly and he started before Christmas. He is a former OPP officer as he retired. Meetings are still being done bi-weekly. You get to know people more as meetings are on a regular basis and there is a good collaboration around the table.

#### 7.4 Hoarding

#### 7.4.1 PR Hoarding Response Committee (Johanne Renaud)

Johanne R. shared that no meeting has occurred in the past two years. Johanne and Raquel are going to attend a meeting at the United Counties of PR to present what is currently being offered in SDG as far as hoarding response services. Hoping to replicate the program and get funds for cleaning, organizers etc. Hope to get this initiative available in Prescott-Russell. We'll let them know that we're getting great support from the community, we'll also talk about the service cleaning agreement for the PR Hoarding Response Coalition, the framework, the referral tree, the 10 steps to a more comfortable home poster. We're hoping they give us some

funding. Hoping to get more members from those agencies around the table, ie, fire, police, ambulance to join the PR Coalition. The members have changed. We'll give you an update when it's available. We want to present all this to them so that they can see what we do.

# 7.4.2 SDG Hoarding Response Committee (Raquel BG)

The City of Cornwall has agreed to provide funding for an extra year. The program is working wonderfully and surpassing targets due to a group workshop approach. Clients attend the Buried in Treasures training prior to obtaining 1:1 intervention in their homes. Interesting to see how much it costs the municipality to evict someone and the number of people who live with hoarding behaviours.

#### 8. **Business Arising**

#### 8.1 **Co-chair position available**

Sheila T and Joanne LM agreed to Co-Chair for this coming year and are soliciting interest from other members to co-chair for the coming year. Sheila stated that she has been in this role for two years and as of March 31, 2020, will no longer be able to stay in her position as she is very busy with other work. If anyone is interested, please let us know.

Some of the duties include, share the role with the other Co-Chair, review agendas and minutes, doing mid-term and end of year report. The advantage of having two Co-chairs is that you do the work together, you're not alone, you have someone to share the work and responsibilities with, and you can bounce ideas off each other.

#### 9. **New Business**

10.1 Nothing to share.

#### 10. Links to HSJCC Website

10.1 The link is a provincial portal to the HSJCC website where contact information such as Terms References, LEAD Protocol, Goals and Objectives, Agendas, Minutes, Workplan, logo, etc. can be accessed. It's a great way of sharing information and sending to new members as well. Sandra L. sends information to the committee contact Trevor and he uploads information on the website.

http://hsicc.on.ca/stormont-dundas-glengarry-prescott-russell-akwesasne-local-hsicc/

#### 11. Information Sharing

#### • Michelle Gosselin - Victim Services of S.D.G.&A.

o I am in a new position doing case management for a contract until March 2022 on a pilot project that Victim Services, for Human Trafficking Trauma Therapist. Part of my role is being on the task force. I will work with all forms of trafficking. Surprised of the number of trafficking happening in this area. This month I'm meeting with community partners. Next month I will be visiting some truck stops, coffee shops, restaurants, corner stores, hotels, etc. for awareness and education. Material was distributed at the meeting. It's very important to get the information out there. What I'm hearing from the survivors in the research I have done is that they want help, but feel they are not often asked. The goal is to see 25 clients a year. I will provide therapy, create care plans with community partners, and do training. Can be opened up to PR. I can

travel to go see them. The shelters said that can offer space. We just want to make it as safe as possible for them. Michelle will connect with Benoit in PR.

#### • Raquel Beauvais-Godard – Canadian Mental Health Association

Will have a Mental Health First Aid training for adults on January 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>. You can register online through CMHA.

# Angel Quesnel – Addiction and Mental Health Services (Manager, Mental Health Crisis Team)

- The VSMART program is gaining some momentum. VSMART continue to spread the word to the community and have attended many presentations. Angel has been asked to present to the CCH Board at the end of the month. The funds will run out in March of 2020, however other grant proposals have been requested for CPS, OPP and Akwesasne, therefore waiting to hear back on these.
- Jim Blanchette presented to the SD&G Counsel for a proposal to fund a FT nurse, however the budget proposal was denied by the Counsel.
- Angel remains active with the Provincial Committee working on a Framework for co-response models. A draft of the document will be shared once it's complete.
- Youth Hub opening on January 14<sup>th</sup>. Will be opening 3 days a week (Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday) many community agencies involved in this initiative.
   Peer Workers have been hired and a coordinator to facilitate the operations for both Cornwall and Hawkesbury.

#### • Benoit St. Jean – Hawkesbury General Hospital

- Hawkesbury will have a hub opening January 27<sup>th</sup>. It will be open two days a week,
   Monday and Thursday. We have different partners coming with us. Have a manager,
   coordinator.
- o Tomorrow there will be training on computers, to share statistics with the Ministry.

#### Marissa Moher – Youturn

- This year we served 44 youth in our anti-human trafficking program. We recently completed the evaluation of our 3-year anti-human trafficking program and will share some of the results with this committee.
- In March, there will be training called Understanding the Effects of Complex Developmental Trauma, Polyvictimization, and Human Sex Trafficking on the Brain and Mental Health. It will be free, a full day, lunch provided. We are looking for a venue. The invitation will be sent to you when it is ready.
- Group, setting up anti-human trafficking protocols, support the development of those. Please reach out to me if you have the need.

#### • Sheila Tallon - Victim Witness Assistance Program, S.D. & G.

The Human Trafficking Task Force is in the process of planning the 3-day conference scheduled to take place this coming March. The first year, we received a police grant from CCPS, the second year, the funding came from various partners including HSJCC and AMPS. Marisa Moher, Executive Director of Youturn advised that has training dollars to offer.

#### Johanne Renaud – Canadian Mental Health Association

 Johanne had shared the resource card created by the PR Coalition to End Violence Towards Women. If you want any hard copies, please let Johanne know and she can arrange to forward them to Raquel for the SDG members.

# 12. **Next Meeting**

- The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 5, 2020 at 12:15 p.m. at the Canadian Mental Health Association, 329 Pitt Street. Videoconferencing is available in Hawkesbury. It can also be held in other areas as well according to members' needs.
- If you cannot attend this meeting but have something you would like to share, please send it by email to Sandra Langevin.

## 13. **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 1:30 p.m. Adopted by Mallory Ouellette, seconded by Jade Roy. Carried.