

**Human Services and Justice Coordinating Committee**  
**Thursday, March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 12:15 p.m.**

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**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
Troy Francis	Akwesasne Community Justice Program
Benoit St. Jean	Hawkesbury General Hospital
Véronique Pagé-Charlebois	Hawkesbury General Hospital
Joanne Ledoux-Moshonas ( <b>Co-Chair</b> )	Canadian Mental Health Association-Champlain East
Nadia Langevin	Canadian Mental Health Association-Champlain East
Johanne Renaud	Canadian Mental Health Association-Champlain East
Sabrina Peacock ( <b>Co-Chair</b> )	ABLE2 Fetal Alcohol Resource Program
Mallory Ouelltette	Laurencrest (left after 15 minutes)
Chantal Finn-Losier	Legal Aid Ontario
Melissa Bouchard	Ontario Provincial Police
Kamylle Roy	Ontario Works
Sandra Langevin	Secretary
Adrien Joly	Situation Table of Prescott Russell
Carilyn Hebert	Social Development Council of Cornwall and Area
Nicholas Perras	Student with VWAP
Sheila Tallon	Victim Witness Assistance Program
Marissa Moher	Youturn

**Regrets:**

George Knezevic	Cornwall Community Police Service
Martine Sabourin	Probation and Parole Services
Kate Baker	The Royal

**Absent:**

Lynn Bradley	Legal Aid Ontario
Cheryl Bass	Ottawa-Carleton Detention Centre
Jérémy O'Grady	Prescott-Russell Victim Services
Marie-Eve Poulin	Valoris
Alanna Wall/Kim Hayward	Youth Now Intervention Services
Chantal Prieur/Michelle Gosselin	Victim Services of S.D.G.&A.

3. **Adoption of the Agenda**

The agenda was approved as circulated. Moved by Benoit St. Jean, seconded by Joanne Renaud. Carried.

4. **Adoption of the Minutes**

The November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2020 and the January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021 meeting minutes were approved as circulated. Moved by Sheila Tallon, seconded by Benoit St. Jean. Carried.

5. **Business arising from minutes**

a) Nothing.

6. **Vibrant Communities of SDG & A**

Carilyne Hebert, Executive Director of Vibrant Communities of SDG&A presented a power point presentation on the organization's services. The slide deck will be distributed with the meeting minutes.

Vibrant Communities is a collective impact initiative led by The Social Development Council of Cornwall and Area which at the core is a poverty reduction strategy. It uses the Tamarack model for Collective Impact. In early 2018 the SDC began engaging 100 policy makers, healthcare workers, non-profit professionals, business owners, people with lived experience and many more from across SDG, Akwesasne and Cornwall. The group is to assess the risks and find the biggest issues our communities are faced with. They will then take action collectively and address those largest societal issues with a strong focus on prevention. Their 4 pillars determined by the community are Mental Health, Health Services, Poverty and Community Safety.

On January 1, 2019, The Government of Ontario mandated municipalities (single and upper tier) to prepare and adopt a Community Safety and Well-Being plan (CSWB). As part of these legislative changes, municipalities are required to work in partnership with police services, health/mental health, education, community/social services and children/youth services as they undertake the planning process. The goal of this plan is to achieve the ideal state of a sustainable community where everyone is safe, has a sense of belonging, access to services and where individuals and families are able to meet their needs for education, health care, food, housing, income and social and cultural expression.

With aligned visions these 2 initiatives are stronger together. Going forward they will be: Vibrant Communities, Our safety and well-being plan. Version 1 of the plan can be found here: <https://sdccornwall.ca/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/Vibrant-Communities-Our-Safety-and-Well-Being-Plan-SDGCA-Jan-2020.pdf>

7. **HSJCC Budget**

a) **2020-2021 Year to date Budget**

- The Year-to-Date Budget was circulated with the meeting package. We currently have a Net Surplus of \$212.46 which will balance to zero after the March Administration costs.

8. **Champlain Regional HSJCC**

a) **Champlain Regional HSJCC meeting update (Johanne Renaud)**

- There was no meeting since the last update. Johanne has been the rep. at the regional for the last few years. If there are members interested in taking on this role, they can let the Co-Chairs know.

9. **SDG-PR 2020-2021 Workplan and update from Chairs of the sub-committees**

1. **Collaboration and collaborative care**

a) **Increase membership of the Cornwall SDG and PR and Akwesasne HSJCC to enhance community engagement with the committee.**

- Welcome to our new committee members who have joined this year: Troy Francis from the Akwesasne Community Justice Program and Carilyne Hebert, Vibrant Communities of SDG&A.

- Troy indicated that he will reach out to a few other colleagues who may be interested in joining.

2. **Direct Services (Sheila Tallon)**

- a) **Develop a Mental Health & Developmental Disabilities Court model for Cornwall (Raquel Beauvais-Godard)**
  - No updates at this time.
- b) **Create plans of care, service plans/release plans, provide counselling and referrals**
  - No updates.
- c) **Liaise with Vibrant Communities of SDG and Vibrant Communities of PR**
  - New to the committee is Carilyne Hébert, Social Development Council of Cornwall and Area.
- d) **Offer Client Care kits (Sheila Tallon)**
  - At the end of the last fiscal year, we used unspent funds to purchase toiletry products and Tim Horton's gift cards for clients to help them prepare for court.
  - Service providers requested 176 Client Care Kits (CCK) unfortunately, there were only enough funds to provide 40 CCK in total. We had 20 Tim Horton's cards all in the sum of \$25 so some CCK had cards while others did not. All the CCK had a Christmas Card that indicated where the gift was from – HSJCC. To make it fair, the 40 CCK were divided between all the agencies requesting them and accommodated based on the supplies available. The Kits were all picked up before the holidays and distributed by said agencies.
  - Thank you very much Sheila for your gracious time in organizing this endeavour and to your team for putting things together.
- e) **2020-21 – Special Project funding to provide assistance to clients in an emergency situation**
  - At its January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021 HSJCC meeting, members approved that \$3,000 be allocated from the 2020-2021 fiscal budget to provide assistance to clients of the HSJCC SDG and PR and Akwesasne local membership who present themselves in an emergency situation and do not have resources to meet the emergency needs such as transportation, meal and seasonal appropriate clothing.
  - Emails were sent out to members and the funds were distributed equally to HSJCC member organizations who requested to receive funds for their clients.
  - Benoit and Johanne R. confirmed that everything has been purchased since yesterday. We have a plan for distribution for our clients in need. Benoit will purchase the cards.
  - Benoit, Joanne LM and Johanne R. decided to partner up the clothing and buying gift cards for food because we have some same clients.
  - The items will be held at CMHA in PR but you can get access it if needed.
  - The Regional HSJCC will be making a \$600 contribution to winter Client Care Kits.

- f) **Situation Table**
- **SDG&A Situation Table (Raquel Beauvais-Godard)**  
Committee is still meeting Tuesday mornings and a number of door knocks are happening. Next Advisory Committee meeting is March 15th.
  - **PR Situation Table Initiative (Adrien Joly)**
    - Have 3 families already with a variety of issues.
    - The same needs are for mental health, drug addiction, housing
    - 2 of our cases were rejected because of lack factors, already linked to other services
    - 3 cases not closed yet
    - Other Situation Tables are having issues with their closure of cases as well
    - Social workers are saying they miss the pre-pandemic situation where they could have face to face interaction with clients.
- g) **Hoarding**
- **PR Hoarding Response Committee (Johanne Renaud)**
    - Looking at updating our membership list.
    - Working on a campaign at the same time of the Fire Prevention Week. Will give them the 10-step poster and available for organizations in which to have them on hand for clients when doing fire alarm checks.
    - HSJCC sponsored the printing of more of the 10-step posters for this campaign.
    - It's a great partnership for promoting fire services and reaching out to the committee.
  - **SDG Hoarding Response Committee (Raquel Beauvais-Godard)**
    - Upcoming Virtual Hoarding Disorder webinar series will be held in April. Sandra sent out the invitation. Please feel free to share within your organizations. Capped at 200 participants.
3. **Training and professional development as identified by the HSJCC members (Joanne Ledoux-Moshonas)**
- a) **HSJCC will offer local training for front line service providers on identified gaps and services.**
- i) **FASD & Justice February Webinars (Sabrina Peacock)**  
It went well; 24 registered for the English session and 10 for French. From the evaluations returned, the feedback was that the guest speaker was excellent and appreciated. If interested in booking Tanya, let Sabrina know.
- b) **Community Development Day on the topic of Hoarding**
- ii) This year they didn't need any financial support but we still want to support this initiative.
4. **Service and system performance, monitoring and evaluation (Raquel B-G)**
- a) **Improve direction and understanding of the purpose of the Local HSJCC**
- The Member Engagement session helped to address this goal.

- b) **Promote the use of the Regional website to access all local HSJCC meeting materials**
      - We post relevant information on the website.
    - c) **Review Structure, Terms of Reference, Mission, Values, Goals of the local HSJCC – review at the beginning of each fiscal year, set member buddy system if required to provide orientation to new members**
      - Was done in the past year. Follow up exercise in 2021-22 to elaborate on Mission / Vision of the local.
- 5. **Knowledge translation and exchange (Joanne Ledoux-Moshonas)**
  - a) **Have access to an administrative assistant to coordinate knowledge exchange and links to all systems related to local, regional, Provincial HSJCC, and to the community**
    - Sandra has been providing support and agrees to stay on for the 2021-2022 fiscal period.
  - b) **Regional Representation – local member to attend meetings**
    - Johanne Renaud is our contact. There are 7-8 meetings per year. You bring back a summary of that meeting to us and vice versa.
    - Johanne commented that she hears what’s going on elsewhere and she can say that we’re doing really good work!!
    - If anyone is interested in taking over this task, please let us know.
    - Suggestion: We could always have 2 representatives and they could alternate.
- 10. **2020-2021 Workplan Evaluation**  
Joanne LM will be working on this. It’s due in June 2021. All of the things we talked about today will be added to the report. Once it’s finalized, it’ll be shared with us.
- 11. **Proposed 2021-2022 Workplan**  
Joanne LM took all the goals we had this year and integrated it into this new proposed Workplan. It was reviewed at the meeting to identify new objectives for the upcoming year. Feedback and comments were given and noted by Joanne who updated the plan.
- 12. **Business Arising**  
Joanne LM shared that there will be a Specialized Courts Forum on March 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>. The poster was sent to members. If it interests you, she strongly encourages you to attend.
- 13. **New Business**  
**COVID-19:**
  - a) **Organizational / Programming update**
  - b) **Challenges / Limitations**
- 14. **Link to HSJCC Website**  
Members are reminded that they may access information on the Provincial and Local HSJCC’s on the following portal link:  
<http://hsjcc.on.ca/stormont-dundas-glengarry-prescott-russell-akwesasne-local-hsjcc/>
- 15. **Information Sharing**

- **Mallory Ouellette – Laurencrest**
  - Residential programs will no longer be provided by Laurencrest. With the removal of our open detention and open custody funding this in turn had an impact on our two children's mental health beds and fee for service (CAS). Funding allocations for CYMH placements and the per diem per day funding model for CAS placements is insufficient to operate a residential program 24/7 365. As a result, all residential programs will be terminated by March 31/21. Detention and custody male youth will be serviced by Sherwood in Ottawa. Female youth will need to be housed in Brampton.
  - At present our YJ funded community-based programs remain intact.
  - Programs still operating:
    - YMHCW SDG
    - YMHCW/ISP PR
    - Youth Justice Committee
    - Attendance Center
    - Intersections Program
    - Direct Accountability
    - Adult CSO
    - EJM/EJS: Pending notification of funding
    - Section 23 programs
  
- **Johanne Renaud – Canadian Mental Health Association-Champlain East**
  - Clients dealing with Court related issues can contact CMHA and we can share our resources such as winter gear. The HGH and CMHA will be sharing the emergency gift cards (meals, food, etc.)
  - We have a strong network at this table with good resource contacts, if you need any help please reach out.
  
- **Angel Quesnel – Addiction and Mental Health Services**
  - Mobile Crisis Support with Police and Mental Health Worker is doing quite well, operating since Fall 2020, Don Depratto, RN is assigned to the MRCT team, very busy, seeing lots of clients with addiction, concurrent disorder and housing issues in SD&G. OPP received confirmation from the SD&G Counsel that they will extend until end of December 2021. Looking at putting a proposal in for another year 2022. CCH received Ministry Funding to help expand co-response services in the area, with this new funding VSMART has been running for over 1 month now. Angel expresses her gratitude to have outreach, mobile services that can respond to the needs of the community.
  
- **Melissa Bouchard – Ontario Provincial Police**
  - Working on their Social Worker, have no idea when they are starting, Hawkesbury has started it and it's going well; but here, nothing, hoping in the next month or two. HGH worker is with Mario Gratton.
  
- **Joanne Ledoux-Moshonas – Canadian Mental Health Association-Champlain East**
  - Raquel Beauvais-Godard is leaving her position with CMHA Champlain East at the end of March 2021. Michelle Gosselin will be fulfilling the role of Program Director effective March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021. They will work together for a period of 3 weeks to allow some time for orientation and knowledge transfer.
  
- **Benoit St. Jean – Hawkesbury General Hospital East**
  - Benoit will be leaving this committee and Véronique Pagé-Charlebois will take over. Benoit will be an alternate.

16. **Next Meeting**

- Does this day and time still work for everyone? We had sent out a survey to members last year and this was the best date and time shared by most people. We could send a doodle poll to members.
- Scheduled for Thursday, May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 12:15 p.m. by MS Teams.
- If you cannot attend this meeting but have something you would like to share, please send it by email to Sandra Langevin [slangevin@eohu.ca](mailto:slangevin@eohu.ca)

17. **Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 2:00 p.m.