# Human Services & Justice Coordinating Committee SW Region (HSJCC) Meeting Minutes

Date of Meeting: March 24, 2015 Chair: Heather Lumley Minutes: Sandra Miles

Attending; Judy Alton (OPP); Claude Anderson (GB); Mike McMahon (Oxford); John Robertson (HP); Vonnie Burke (Lamb-Kent); John MacKay (MCYS); Cindy

Chatzis (RSA SNSC); Heather Lumley (London)

Regrets: Anne Coombe (RSA); Heather DeBryun (Elgin); Marilyn Weller (W-E); Liz Froese (SNSC); Trish Dowling-Wells (Lamb-Kent); Marion Overholt (Windsor)

Topic of Discussion		Follow up
Review of Minutes December 2, 2014		no changes
•	Tovincial Updates - Meeting on February 10, 2015  Three webinars scheduled – one was on February 26, second on March 26, third Hamilton Rapid Response Team will be the last week of April exact date TBD	
•	Sandie Leath from CMHA in St. Sault Marie has stepped down and now Mike Dunn from CMHA Barrie/Simcoe (health) is new co-chair along with Katie Almond from MCSCS (justice).	
•	Discussion about website – looking at a new website for more information and one that is easier to navigate. Hope to have a more user friendly information site versus the one that is currently more of a database of members with some highlights on it.	
•	<b>Keeping membership list up to date</b> - The local rep should go into the website and update the membership on a consistent basis so that the website always has the current members of all of the locals and the regions. Prior to the next meeting please have your membership list updated and SLCS will send out quarterly reminders for the members of the committee. If anyone has trouble updating their membership Sandra from SLCS is available to assist with that.	S. Miles (SLCS) to send quarterly reminder updates with the agenda of the meetings.
•	Call for abstracts for the conference in November - the deadline has been extended. If you want to present on any projects or innovative practices this would be a great time to showcase some of the work being done in the southwest region. If anyone has any ideas but not sure how to put it together please let H. Lumley know and she will be happy to assist with that.	
•	<b>Pre budget submission -</b> has been sent to Minister of Finance regarding getting some additional funding for the Provincial HSJCC to solidify some of the work that is being done.	
•	<b>Mental Health working group</b> – was developed in the fall. The purpose of the project is to create a foundation for a provincial evaluation. It is about getting more streamlined information and perhaps and evaluation tool to understand what is and isn't working and how we can make the mental health court more effective over the province. This is only dealing with adults at this time.	PDF
•	<b>Eastern CNSC Presentation</b> – on the Developmental Disabilities Awareness in the Criminal Justice System. Slides were provided in the February 10, 2015 meeting package. Will attach these slide to the minutes of this meeting.	Developmental Disabilities Awareness

Sara Dias – from CMHA Kenora delivered a presentation on her Mental Health Court evaluation conducted through her thesis. Slides were provided and will attach these slides to the minutes of this meeting. Does Participation in MHC Reduce Recidivis Andrew Pierre from OPP Highway Safety Division -provided an overview of the challenges the JTR faces while apprehending someone under the mental health act and trying to do follow up afterwards. He wondered if anyone had any ideas on how they could do the follow up afterwards. **Regional Updates Financial Update** • H. DeBryun has asked to please make sure everyone has submitted all of their invoices ending March 31/15. 2 CIT courses through London and Oxford – J. Alton will submit invoices to HSJCC by March 31/15. If there are any last minute proposals anyone would like to have funded please submit in the next week **Local Updates:**  Chatham – no updates at this time Huron Perth – • Getting good participation at the committee now • Currently have work going on in Perth developing a protocol for when a person is apprehended and goes to the hospital. This has taken a number of months to get all the party's together and work out all the details. Expecting that to be completed by the next meeting at the end of April. Grey Bruce – Have a very active crystal meth task force as a subcommittee and this has been expanded to include other drugs. • CMHA received funding to expand their Mobile Crisis Team to 24/7. Currently in the implementation stage of this. Will be up and running 24/7 by April 30/15. SNSC - no updates Cindy Chatzis has just started attending the Huron Perth meetings and has started some smaller projects being done there Oxford -• In first year of treatment court and had some graduations there and that was the focus for this year. Will meet in in June to talk about our continuing goals. Connectivity table initiative – includes both police forces, CMHA Woodstock Hospital, Oxford Elgin Child and Youth, Addiction Services of Thames Valley, Dale Brain Injury and both school boards. Developed measured levels of trust between organizations and also the number of risk factors. London/Middlesex -• CMHA & Addiction Services Crisis Stabilization Beds working on a location to open within the year. It is a 10 bed

crisis centre with drop in 24/7 staffed. Currently putting together a plan for the major crisis centre they are hoping

to open in London so the stabilization beds project is an interim solution.

- Committee has been put together for a Community Plan regarding street involved sex workers street level women at risk. Now moving forward with a full implementation plan in London to address women that are working on the street.
- SLCS, Salvation Army Justice Services, Centre of Hope and the City of London as the funder have moved from the pilot project. Starting April 1 to a funded project to assist people who are homeless and ordered to reside at a shelter into permanent housing in a housing first model. To date have housed 21 individuals who are now in their own housing and SLCS continues the community support for short term after that.
- St. Lawrence Centre Project SLCS is heavily involved in this as a coordinated access for people coming out of the jail to the London area. There are many challenges and are continuing to work through this. There is still a lot of work to be done in this particular area.
- Youth Sector most meetings have to do with the Mental Health Lead Agency (Vanier) and how they overlay with justice and how many services we provide to individuals. There are numerous meetings about who is providing which service in youth mental health and justice. Just a lot of work to see how everything works in a particular community and how to make it work more effectively and more efficiently.

### OPP -

- In the midst of going around the province doing a provincial mental health strategy. Currently gathering information to see how they are going to deal with mental health calls in the future.
- Memo was sent out to all officers in the OPP that they will be doing Mental Health Readiness training. Every officer and every employee will be taking this course.
- New Commissioner Vince Hawkes is a stats man and is trying to making things more efficient.
- Looking at a Provincial Emergency Operation Centre for the province.

#### New Business

• There is a Provincial HSJCC meeting on April 14/15. Please put your updates in to print. Sandra will be sending out a reminder for updates. The HSJCC updates can be anything community wide, always happy to communicate on our different communities when at the Provincial table.

# Next Meeting: Tuesday May, 26 1:30 – 2:30

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