



Meeting Minutes
Thursday, January 9, 2023
9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
Virtual Microsoft Teams Meeting

Present: Tammy Tinney, North York General Hospital; Sue MacLennan (Co-chair), Aboriginal Legal Clinic, Domenica Dileo, HSJCC; Natasha Bartlett, Fred Victor; Patricia Pagnani, Toronto Bail Program; Jennifer Altosaar, Community Network of Specialized Care Toronto Region; Julie Osbelt, Toronto ABI Network; Tricia Dunbar, CHIRS; Kathy Chau, CMHA Toronto; Dana Riley, PWLE; Lin Sallay, Cota; Carol O Neil, Mennonite Central Committee Ontario; Nikki Browne, PWLE; Natasha Bronfman, MH Advocate; Kyra Schrader, Métis Nation of Ontario (MNO) (On behalf of Bradley Scarr)

Regrets: Susan Davis (Co-chair), Gerstein Centre; Scott McKean, City of Toronto; Debbie Lynch, CTYS, New Outlook; John McInnes, Judiciary; Samim Hasham, Clinical Pharmacist Consultant

Land Acknowledgement

Carol O Neil noted the Land Acknowledgement, recognizing the history of the Indigenous People and their contribution to the land we stand on. It was suggested we share the Land Acknowledgement among the members. Please email Susan or Domenica if you are interested before the next meeting.

Welcome and Introductions

Everyone introduced themselves. Domenica chaired the meeting.

Nikki was welcomed to the committee.

Jennifer Altosaar informed the committee that she started a new position at Surrey Place with the Mashkikiwininiwag Mazinaatesijigan Wichiiwewin Video Conferencing Program. She provided the program's link below:

<https://www.surreyplace.ca/services/mmw-clinical-videoconferencing-program/>

Review/Approval Minutes from the October 13, 2022 Meeting

Motion to approve the October 13th meeting minutes by Sue and seconded by Natasha Bartlett. The minutes were approved.

Action Items follow-up

- Reviewed and completed.

Toronto Regional and Locals Lunch and Learns Update

-Domenica reported on the Anti-Racism Series session 1 & 2. The sessions attracted 599 people from our cross-sectoral membership and 255 attendees. The virtual nature of the Lunch and Learns enhanced participation from not only the Provincial, Toronto Regional and Local HSJCCs active members, but also the organizations and sectors that they represent.

- The next Anti-Racism session 3 is taking place on January 26th. The focus will be Anti-Racism Voices/Lived Experiences.
- The Scarborough Community Reintegration: A Pathway from Custody to the Community – A Model of Collaboration Care Through Pro-Active Discharge Planning panel discussion Lunch and Learn took place on October 19. Eighty-eight people registered and 42 attendees.

Toronto Regional Honoraria Discussion

The proposed honoraria policy was circulated to members before the meeting.

Discussion ensued:

- Kathy noted that it is important to acknowledge that the proposed policy procedure aligns with the Provincial HSJCC Honoraria Policy. As well, that the Toronto Regional Co-chairs are the policy implementation decision makers.
- Several members acknowledged different rates of pay for honoraria, ranging from \$50 to \$10 per hour. The proposed rate of \$30 per hour aligns with the Provincial HSJCC policy.
- The committee agreed to approve the Honoraria policy at the next meeting. Any further suggestions please send them to Domenica.

WT- HSJCC: Patricia provided the report.

The meeting attendance continues to increase.

- The 2201 Finch Avenue West courthouse will become the Toronto Region Bail Center.
- A priority for the committee is to ensure that there is a connection made with the Toronto South Detention Centre (TSDC).
- At the November meeting, there was a presentation on the Community Reintegration Planning Table at TSDC by the Provincial HSJCC Secretariat.

NY-HSJCC Tammy provided the report.

- She noted that at the November meeting, there was a fruitful discussion about the Land Acknowledgement, why we do it, and its importance. Resources were shared with committee members to help with the discussion including the video *Awakening – We Were Always Here*. The video link is below:
<https://youtu.be/3X4MYbJvLUJ> .

DT-HSJCC Domenica provided the report.

- Meeting attendance continues to increase.
- The co-chair position is still vacant and members are encouraged to nominate someone.
- At the November meeting, there was a presentation on the MHSU Services for people released from custody during the COVID-19 pandemic research with Arthur McLuhan and Lucas Seuren. Themes discussed: strengthening the committee to become a vehicle of advocacy to address the gaps and needs of our target population. How and/or can research become a vehicle for change? Presentation PowerPoint slides were circulated to HSJCC members.

S-HSJCC Dana provided the report.

- Scarborough held a Lunch and Learn on October 19th (See above)
- The committee is working on the 5th session of the Anti-Racism series taking place on March 23rd. It will address preventative measures on What Can Be Done.

Toronto Regional Anti-Racism Ad Hoc Group

- Patricia reported that the Anti-Racism series has 5 sessions. The next session # 3 will be a panel discussion on Lived Experience. Outreach and registration information will be circulated to the Regional, Local, and Provincial HSJCCs members. The next Anti-Racism Ad Hoc meeting is scheduled for January 13th.

Current Issues:

- What issues can be brought to the table? Nikki informed the committee about a Peer Lead project she is working on. They are planning to run a training series around May 2023 based on the self-documentation of the Peer Leaders. She will reach out to Domenica to share more information with the committee when they start doing outreach.
- Committee members acknowledged the importance of monitoring the justice sector changes to identify their impact on the client population we serve. As well, how will these changes impact the HSJCC?
- Committee members agreed that one of the Local HSJCCs' regular meetings be a mega meeting with the four Locals to address the impact of the New Courthouse/Region Bail Centre on our client population.
- Members acknowledged the benefits of having virtual meetings because more people can attend them. The committee agreed to continue with virtual meetings and eventually, implement a hybrid model to enhance engagement, network, and collaboration.

Update from the P-HSJCC:

Locals feedback on the Safety and Wellbeing Plan was submitted to the P-HSJCC.

Discussion regarding intentional values

The committee agreed that at this meeting our intentional equity perspective was practiced. It was important to note the struggles people are facing which reflect on our intentions.

Action Items Follow-up:

- Domenica will send the next meeting invite to committee members.
- Honoraria policy is to be approved at the next meeting.
- Local HSJCCs to discuss having an annual mega meeting with the four Locals.

The next meeting will take place virtually on Thursday, March 9th, 2023 from 9:30 am to 11:00 am.