

West Toronto Human Services and Justice Coordinating Committee (WT-HSJCC)

Meeting Minutes March 6, 2018 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. Metro West Courthouse, 2201 Finch Avenue West, Courtroom 205

Present: Patricia Pagnani (Co-chair), Toronto Bail Program; Amber Kellen (Co-chair), John Howard Society of Toronto; Elana Glass, Duty Counsel; Domenica Dileo, HSJCC; Saleha Saleem, T.A. Patterson & Associates; Jessica Reinhart, Toronto Bail Program; Ainsley Lamond, Springboard-YCAPP; Diana Filici, MétisNation of Ontario, Fatima Senra, LAO; Sue MacLennan, Aboriginal Legal Services

Regrets: Debbie Lynch (Co-chair), CTYS; Daniel O'Driscoll, Community Head Injury Resource Services; Nicole Giles, CMHA; Kelli Wilson, Youth Court Action Planning Program; Mary Ross-Hendriks, Judiciary; August Bonomo, Toronto Police Service; Lisette Fernanadez, Jean Tweed; Doris Galas, Humber River Hospital

Welcome and Introductions

Everyone introduced themselves.

Review of January 9, 2018 minutes

The minutes were approved.

Review Action Items:

They were completed.

Presentation: Sue MacLennan – Aboriginal Legal Services

- Provide service to youth and adults
- 311 Aboriginal Youth court is an option of Aboriginal diversion
- Gladue court not available at 2201 Finch Avenue Courthouse
- Aboriginal diversion can be asked by the court worker
- Does release planning
- Domestic assault not part of court diversion
- The Crown Attorney can ask for diversion of domestic assault
- Diversion matters can be processed at 2201 Finch avenue courthouse, do not have to go to 1000 Finch Avenue Courthouse

- Sue MacLeannan informed the committee that in two weeks there will be a replacement for her position as she will be working at another courthouse.
- Who can refer? Any counsel and/or Duty Counsel
- Gladue report is an in-depth report. The person has to consent to have it released. It is very important for sentencing because it can make recommendations regarding alternatives to jail. Reporting may follow to Parole and Probation.
- Sue MacLennan was thanked for her informative presentation.

Lunch and Learns:

Domenica Dileo reported that next Lunch and Learn is on Cannabis - March 9th with April Trewhitt, Addictions Coordinator at the Canadian Mental Health Association. Many people have RSVP'd.

Suggestion for a future Lunch and Learn topic is - psychosocial and legal perspectives on dementia with Julia Chao and Vivian Ropchan. Domenica will follow up.

2018-2019 workplan and budget:

Reviewed the 2018-2019 workplan, which was circulated prior to the meeting. Discussion ensued- to continue with the regular five meetings and three Lunch and Learns. Continue with the TTC and food voucher support for the courthouse. The goals and objectives remain the same as previous year.

Domenica Dileo reported that the budget goal of the T-HSJC C is to have a balanced budget. After reviewing the Locals budget requests, the committee had to limit the amount of TTC tokens and food vouchers for all Locals with the understanding that surplus can be used for TTC tokens and food vouchers purchases. The T-HSJCC will review outstanding Locals budget requests in the Fall.

The WT -HSJCC 2018-2019 Workplan budget approved is:

\$500
\$500
\$940
\$480
\$2420
\$750
\$750

Total \$3920

The WT-HSHCC committee unanimously approved the 2018-2019 workplan and budget.

Proposed meeting dates are: September 25, November 6, January 8, March 5 and May 7.

Agency/Organization Updates

- Video bail project update Patricia Pagnani informed the committee that
 there was an operational meeting last week. No mock video bail has been
 scheduled. Amber Kellen presented at the meeting. Carol Walker from bail
 program has an office at the RC as well as interviewing clients at the TSDC.
- Ainsley Lamond informed the committee that Kelli Wilson has a new position as supervisor for the adults program and will no longer attend these meetings.
- It was agreed to add video bail updates as an ongoing agenda item.

Diana Filici from Métis Nation of Ontario informed the committee about the pilot project she is working on. It was agreed to have her present at our next meeting.

Service Coordination Issues/Service ResolutionNo update

Updates from the T-HSJCC and Provincial HSJCC

• Domenica Dileo reported that the next T-HSJCC meeting is on June 11, 2018

Action Items

- Domenica Dileo will oversee logistics for the March 2018 Lunch and Learn on Cannabis and session on dementia.
- Video bail updates will be added as an ongoing agenda item.

Presenter for next meeting: Diana Filici from Métis Nation of Ontario

Next Meeting

• Tuesday, May 8, 2018 at 2201 Metro West Courthouse, 2201 Finch Avenue West, in Courtroom 212 from 1-2:30.