

**CHILD CARE COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE  
TUESDAY, MARCH 4, 2008**

**PRESENT:**

Joy Lerman	Chair/TJ Solutions
Nelia Madeira	Vice Chair/Community of Maple CCS
June Brown	Secretary/Kids Connection Care and Education
Fran Zeppieri	Past Chair/York Catholic District School Board
Franca DiStefano	Joy of Childhood Conference Committee
Charlena Harvey	Our Lady of Annunciation
Toni Pellicano	AECEO York Branch
Donna Cree	
Patti Griffen	Enhanced Funding
Stephanie McKenzie	Supervisor's Association
Mary Turfryer	York Region Public Health Services
Sandra Sanz	York Region District School Board
Debbie Brauswetter	Regional Municipality of York Children's Services
Shawna Lee	Kinark Child and Family
Diane Taylor	YMCA
Joy Vance	York Child/Communication Committee
Rebecca Davids	York Region Community and Health Services

**REGRETS:**

Ruth Houston	York Child/Quality Assurance
Marlene Green	YRPSL
Roger Charlesworth	Nursery School Operator
Jean Wise	Family Day
Maura McKenzie	Spokesperson/Kids Connection Care and Education
Marilyn Santaguida	Community of Maple CCS
Susan Morris	Treasurer
Karen Zentena	School Age Subcommittee

**ABSENT:**

Paula Stranieri/Alicia Acosta	Child Care Professional Development Subcommittee
Pat Henry	York Professional
Linda Wheeler	EIS
Lori Young	Regional Municipality of York Children's Services
Shirley Black	Upper Canada
Diane Kashin	Seneca College
Pat Hofsepian	Family Day
Deb Manion	Blue Hills
Cathy Elliott	Region of York
Aldona Ollen	
Josephine Mayles	YRHS
Amy Chui	York Region Public Health Services

**CHILD CARE COMMITTEE MINUTES  
MARCH 4, 2008**

**Approval of Agenda**

- Motioned by Charlena Harvey and seconded by Franca DiStefano to approve the agenda.

**Approval of Minutes**

- Kathy Lucky is being replaced by Debbie Brauswetter
- Motioned by Stephanie McKenzie and seconded by Franca DiStefano to approve the minutes of February 5, 2008.

**Follow Up Action**

- June emailed Triple R information, however document was created in Word 2007 so some people unable to open. Need to download new version.

**Treasurer's Report – Susan Morris regrets**

- Bank balance as of January 31, 2008 is \$31,161.62.
- The Accolode Account has been paid. The cheques were sent January 14, 2008.
- Anyone with petty cash please contact Susan at [susan.morris@ymcagta.org](mailto:susan.morris@ymcagta.org) She will need all receipts and any cash you have left.
- Would like to set up meeting with committees that have petty cash to set up new petty cash and review procedures.

**SUB-COMMITTEE UPDATES**

**Communication – Joy Vance**

- Calendars distributed for updates.

**Child Care Professional Development – Paula Stranieri/Alicia Acosta absent**

- No report.

**Joy of Childhood Conference – Franca DiStefano**

- Committee met on February 20, 2008.
- Workshop proposals are floating around.
- Keynote Speaker has been confirmed, Sue Minn.

**Quality & Accessibility – Shawna Lee**

- Inclusion workshop for front line staff is scheduled for May 23, 2008 and June 13, 2008 at Blue Hills.
- The group has finished Step #1 or the Inclusion Tool; creating an effective definition of "inclusion" and "quality early learning". They are working on package to be given to centres.
- Next meeting is on March 25, 2008 at 9:30am at Kinark.
- Joy updated that at the next Child Care Committee Meeting on April 1, 2008, we will have someone from the Coalition to talk about Advocacy.

**Action: June to send out advocacy package to all members.**

### **School Age Professional Development – Karen Zentena regrets**

- “They Can Be So Rude” workshop has 48 participants registered. Part 1 is this Thursday at the School Board in Room 102 and Part 2 is on April 8, 2008.
- Next meeting will be April 24, 2008. Elections will take place at that meeting as Karen is done her 2 year term.

### **Emergency Preparedness Taskforce – Jean Wise regrets**

- No report.

### **ReCreative Village – Maura McKenzie regrets**

- Toni Pellicano updated that the committee is still looking for a place.
- Working on Trillium Proposal.

## **SECTOR UPDATES**

### **AECEO**

- Workshop on Inclusion scheduled for March 26, 2008.
- Confirming details of AGM. Be on the look out for the invitations.

### **Children’s Mental Health – Deb Manion regrets**

- No report.

### **Enhanced Funding**

- Current wait list has 22 applications with a total of 41 wait listed children.
- Committee is looking for a new co-chair. They are looking for a new chair, but that will be from the committee. Anyone interested can email Lori Young.
- Handed out Year End Report.
- Next meeting has been changed to May 2, 2008.

### **Region of York – Cathy Elliot regrets**

- No report.

### **Seneca College – Diane Kashin regrets**

- No report.

### **Supervisor’s Association**

- Last meeting was on February 21, 2008. Sarah Kupferschmidt from Kinark came out and did a presentation on their ABA programs. They are currently looking for space in child care centres to run some programs, so if anyone is interested please contact her.
- March meeting is cancelled.
- Looking for a new chair, Stephanie’s term ends in June.
- Next meeting is on April 17, 2008.

### **York Catholic District School Board**

- Next meeting is April 10, 2008.
- B & A tender for St. Pat’s in Shomberg.
- Summer Camp permits are due.

## **York Region District School Board**

- Susan Bennett-Amastad Community Event rescheduled to May 8, 2008 at Premiere Ballroom.
- Working on the budget. Looking at 400 participants at a total cost of \$16, 800. Charging \$15-20 per participant.
- Would like Child Care Committee to be a joint partner and subsidize cost of books.

**Motioned by Charlena Harvey and seconded by Franca DiStefano that the Child Care Committee fund up to \$5,000 to cover the cost of books for the event.**

**Motioned by Toni Pellicano and seconded by June Brown that the Child Care Committee support on line registration for the event.**

**Action: To touch base with Susan Morris in regards to amount of reserve needed. *Deferred next meeting.***

## **Community & Health Services**

- Proposal to copy "Cooking with Preschoolers" book.
- Suggestion to include no bake and egg free recipes.
- Look at putting on CD.
- Send out email to determine need.
- Rebecca Davids introduced herself. She is working on infant nutrition.

## **York Region Preschool Speech and Language – Marlene Green regrets**

- No report.

## **EIS Report – Linda Wheeler absent**

- No report.

## **COMMUNITY UPDATES**

### **Pre-Natal – 6**

- Advisory Forum changed name to Planning Forum for Children, Youth and Families.

### **Best Start**

- No news. Some dollars left over from this year. Looking at providing a workshop for child care workers, kindergarten teachers and parents.

### **Early Learning and Care Steering Committee**

- Next meeting scheduled for April.

**Action: To organize Bernice Landry to come out to a Child Care Committee Meeting on behalf of the Early Learning and Care Steering Committee. *Deferred next meeting***

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

### **Full Day Learning**

- No new information.
- Child Care Committee to set up a meeting with the Minister of Education in regards to impact on children.
- Set up task force to organize what we want to speak about.
- Members of task force – Joy Lerman, Joy Vance, Fran Zeppieri, Sandra Sanz, Nelia Madeira and to ask Jean Wise.
- Meet prior to the next Child Care Committee Meeting on April 1, 2008 at 12:00pm.

### **OEYC**

- Left over dollars to be spent on parenting sessions by March 31, 2008.

### **Fire Department**

- Fire department has been out inspecting child care centres and focusing on hoods over the stoves.
- If child care centres create any grease laden vapours by cooking meat, butter or oil then they need to install a commercial hood over the stoves.

**Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 1, 2008 from 1-3pm at the Catholic School Board on 320 Bloomington Road.**

**Approved April 1/08**