

**Education, Policy and Programs Working Group
Wednesday, September 11th, 2008**

2:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Host Location:

**Associated Youth Services of Peel
120 Matheson Blvd E., Ste 103, Mississauga
Mississauga, ON**

Minutes

Present:

Jo-Anne Cripps – Ontario Works, Anne Burke-Gauthier – Community Member, Bill Stewart – Peel Regional Police, David Jull – Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board, Valerie Arnold Judge – Peel District School Board, , Lina Iacobucci V.P Safe School, Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board, Ursula Keuper-Bennett – Mississauga Watch, Dorothy Fetterly – Peel Health

Regrets:

Adrian Adore – Peel Regional Police, Gayle Woods – Youth Justice Services, Linda Andrews – Peel Health, Sheila Wilson – City of Mississauga Recreation & Parks, Sandra Payne – Associated Youth Services of Peel,

1. Additions to the Agenda

No additions to the agenda.

2. Re-cap June 18, 2008 meeting minutes & adopt.

Minutes approved.

Today's minutes –Anne B-Gauthier and Dorothy Fetterly

3. Steering Committee Update - Dorothy Fetterly

- Steering Committee is discussing the budget for 2009. Steering Committee is looking at how agencies can support this Initiative and some of the ways may be through covering printing cost, in kind services.
- Steering Committee recognizes that we need sustainable funding, grant monies are fine but core funding is what is needed.
- Roots of Youth Violence report to be going to the Premier's office in the near future. Once Premier McGuinty receives the report, he will decide next steps.
- Quorum Strategic Health Communication firm hired by Peel Health wants to hear from you and they will be sending out a survey. Please turn it around quickly.
- City of Toronto is getting a funding of \$5M. We are looking at that funding. It is not a core funding but a project funding. The monies are over a 3 year period of time.
- We will be working in collaboration with the City of Mississauga and the Network to apply for this funding.

4. Sub-Committee updates:

- Bill Stewart is still waiting to hear from Square One. Contact name is M. Doug Smith.
- Everyone agrees that other malls in the area should be explored. Names given were Erin Mills Town Centre, Shopper's World and Bramalea City Centre but to be careful with Bramalea due to parking and construction. Anne and Valerie will also try to get a contact for Square One.

Website & Agenda Committee:

- Web- site: Through the Quorum and Peel Health work on the website will resume. Goal is to redevelop web site.
- Quorum will make sure we have our key words included. They are keen and eager and still want youth input.
- Student agenda entries is to still include a half a page informing them that help is there and the web site will be written so that they know where to go for help. We did not want to include it this September because the web site was still not yet available. The URL address will be included.
- For the agenda page, we might want to use key messages that are being created. A logo for the Network still has to be created. Maybe we can get students to do some logo of what the site means to them.

5. Discussion:

- We have 11,800\$ in the bank to be used towards the Agency Fair. The money can also be used to help pay for banners, easel for the agency fair.
- Ursula is asking if anyone knows what came of the report written in 1994 by Fred Biro from the Peel Regional Police. Some of the items in the report have moved forward but other items have not moved forward because of lack of sustainable funding. Ursula Keuper-Bennett states that we should continue to rally and push this document because it was a great piece of work and that we should continue to push so that this document can materialize.
- David Jull commented on the school board program also was lost in the system because the Board was in a \$2M deficit, which that meant cutting teachers from classroom. It is all the same problem sustainable funding.
- **Announcements:**
- Bill Stewart, Chair, mentioned that he has to step down as chair due to a job change. He will still attend our meetings. Please forward your names to Bill Stewart if you are interested in being Chair.
- There is \$11,800.00 in the bank for our committee's use.

- Committee must work on their three-year vision. Steering Committee wants to see our three-year visions move into three year work plans. This will start at the next meeting.

8. Next Meeting:

- Thursday October 2nd, 2008 - 2:00 p.m.
- Location to be determined