



MINUTES

Date | time 9/22/2020 3:30 PM by Zoom |

In Attendance

Present: Stacey M (Chair), Laura L (Coordinator), Barbara H (Secretary), Nichole M, Karen R-S, Jan P

Regrets: Phyllis N (Treasurer)

Approval of Agenda

Motion: Barbara

Second: Jan

Approval of June 8 Meeting Minutes

Minutes read on line. Laura will distribute them.

Motion: Jan

Second: Nichole

Approval of June 8 AGM Minutes

Add a notation that the meeting was conducted by Zoom

Motion: Barb

Second: Jan

Coordinator's Report

Workshops: a list of potential workshop topics and presenters was reviewed. Laura will choose 10 or 12 for the fall season, scheduled on a couple of different weeknights. Workshops can begin after Thanksgiving.

Length of each workshop will be scheduled for 1 ½ hours, to allow approximately one hour for presentation and half an hour for questions. This increases the amount of time Laura will be available for each workshop, but is no more expensive than the former in-person workshops which required much more preparation on her part.

Promotion of workshops will primarily be through Constant Comment and Facebook. The distribution by schools is uncertain, since each school seems to have its own practices.

Constant Contact subscription: we approve renewing our prepaid account for a year for \$378 USD

Grant applications: currently waiting for responses from Ontario Trillium Foundation Resilient Communities Fund and Dufferin Community Foundation Booster Grant. We submitted a nomination to 100 Women Who Care for their process at the end of October. If selected, a video must be submitted by Oct. 29.

Treasurer's Report

- Approximately \$ 21,442.75 in the bank. The monthly transfer from United Way is \$833.33 per month.

Coordinator's Time

Laura raised the question of whether she should reduce her hours in view of the forecast decrease in future grants from United Way and possibly the County. The Board does not want to see hours reduced at this point. Since on-line workshops require less of Laura's time, we suggest she spend the extra time on writing a blog, building social media links, increasing and updating the resources on the website and creating a workshop survey

Follow up Workshop Survey

Data on the impact of DPSN is needed to help direct our decisions and to strengthen applications for funding. Laura will create a survey that can be sent to participants some months after their attendance at a workshop. Since registration is now done by Zoom, we have everyone's email addresses. Perhaps include a request for phone numbers for a conversation about the impact of the workshop. Consider incentives for completing the survey, such as a Tim's card (or Staples), which could be donated by the retailer.

Meeting Times for 2020-2021

Third Tuesday each month at 3:30. Oct. 20; Nov. 17; Dec. 15; Jan. 19; Feb. 16; Mar. 16; Apr. 20; May 18; June 15
On Zoom until further notice.

Parenting Conference

Planned by The Centre Fellowship on Nov. 5 to 7. Kolleen was unable to join the meeting to provide more information. DPSN is invited to participate or assist in planning. DPSN is very cautious about appearing to be linked to a faith community. Consequently, Laura will assist in background planning, referring facilitators and information. If the conference is in-person, our materials could be displayed.

Adjournment/ Next Meeting

Meeting adjourned at 5:00.

Next meeting: Tuesday, October 20 at 3:30.