



**MCMCT Meeting September 18th, 2017**

**10:00 am – 12:00 pm**

**CAST 7<sup>th</sup> Floor – Board Room**

**Present:** Ian E, Cindy H., Beverly D., Paola M., Jillian S, Sharma Q., David L., Cherry Y., Alexandra A., Wail E.H., Julia P., Jahy V., Lisa S., Eneyda G., Liz H., Hanna D., Mariula H., Luisa O.G., Shaden J.,

**Regrets:** Vicky T., Tania R, Suganthine S.

**Minute Taker:** Shaden J.

Discussions	Decisions/Actions
<p><b>Welcome:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ian E. announced Beverly D’Souza as a new Leadership Team member and welcomed Liz Huang, TDSB, Child Care Services Manager for joining MCMCT table.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Ministry of Education Authorized Recreation Programs – TDSB - TCSB:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ian and Sharma spoke about the Ministry of Education new regulatory changes for social and recreational programs for children 6-12.</li> <li>Sharma talked about TDSB asking service providers of recreational programs to show proof of compliance with new legislation and mentioned that groups working with children 6-12 years old not wanting to apply for permit to implement after school programs.</li> <li>Liz Huang updated members on authorized recreational and skills building for after school programs required by Ministry of Education. She mentioned that the last few months the Ministry has been looking at After School Programs for 4-12 year old children. She talked about the existence of thousands of unlicensed and</li> </ul>	

<p>community based programs that need permits under the new legislations.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Liz said that service providers of programs for 0-12 year old children must submit their legal standing to the province i.e. childcare license. The Ministry is the only entity to authorize recreational programs. All programs even those operating for 2 hours only have to submit a letter to the Ministry to get approval. <a href="http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/childcare/AuthorizedRecFactSheet.html">http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/childcare/AuthorizedRecFactSheet.html</a></li> <li>• See attached Letter</li> <li>• Liz also spoke about a transitional approach to give time to organizations to adapt to the new legislations. She said existing organizations holding permits for programs for 6-12 years old have to apply to the Ministry to ensure part of their continuity (duration is up to 2 years) while no new permits will be given at this time. Liz also mentioned that the Ministry is looking at minimum requirements as policy, number of staff, etc.</li> <li>• David Lee also spoke about City’s report to be submitted in 2018 spring on whether or not City will authorize recreational programs. He also mentioned that the City will suggest to the Ministry organizations that might be suitable for recreational/social programs.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• David to report back to MCMCT on the City’s decision on authorization recreational programs.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Vision and Mission Revamp – Next Steps:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cindy briefed the group about revamping MCMCT Vision and Mission. She mentioned that Leadership Team also worked on rejigging what MCMCT mission statement.</li> <li>• Cindy asked members what brings them to MCMCT table every month? Answers ranged between representing one’s organization, increase people’s knowledge on the important developmental needs</li> </ul>	<p>Coalition members agreed to Vision: A City where all children 6-12 years old and their families have equitable opportunities and resources to thrive.</p>

<p>of children 6-12 years old, forgotten years, out of school time programs, build own knowledge on what’s happening with out of school time programs in Toronto, better serve families and plan for programs for middle childhood, funding opportunities and sharing information.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cindy presented the work done on MCMCT Vision and Mission at the Coalition over the years. She mentioned that the Coalition got together in 2004 because 6-12 years old children were “forgotten years” and no systems were discussing this age group. In 2008 the Coalition developed its Terms of Reference (TOR) and the mandate was trying to change policies and systems.</li> <li>• Group discussed a mission statement that would focus on the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Actively influencing/supporting a system that honours/engages and prioritizes children 6-12 years of age and their families OR</li> <li>• Actively promoting/supporting/modifying a system that children 6-12 years of age and their families are a priority.</li> <li>• Pushing for</li> <li>• System change ...</li> <li>• See attached Power Point Presentation</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p>Mission statement still a bit more re-gigging and will be looked at at the Leadership Table.</p> <p>Next steps: Coalition Workplan with objectives and outcomes for 2-3 years.</p>
<p><b>Nov. 25<sup>th</sup> Parent Conference – TDSB (Parent Involvement Advisory Committee PIAC) and MCMCT partnership (See Month in Review attached):</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Shaden updated members on MCMCT partnership with TDSB – PIAC parent conference on Saturday Nov. 25<sup>th</sup>, 2017. She mentioned that the conference targets 500 parents annually and that MCMCT will be facilitating 6 sessions out of 21 sessions presented.</li> <li>• Shaden spoke about parent leaders’ involvement in the planning process.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Beverly and Ian to help in developing Out of School Time Program presentation. Liz can also help in looking out at the licensed programs part.</li> <li>• Ian to check with High Five and PRO about</li> </ul>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Shaden expressed that 4 sessions are locked up with parent leaders and Working women Community Centre and asked MCMCT members about availability and interest to develop and deliver two sessions on Ages and Stages and Out of School Time Programs.</li> <li>• Shaden also informed members about availability of vendor tables within Nov. 25<sup>th</sup> 2017 conference.</li> <li>• Social Planning Toronto, Working Women Community Centre, MCMCT confirmed their availability as vendors at Nov. 25<sup>th</sup> conference. Boys and Girls Clubs in Toronto and City of Toronto to confirm their participation as vendors.</li> </ul>	<p>their availability to deliver Out of School Time programs and Ages and Stages.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Shaden to follow up with Ian on participation as vendors and High Five and PRO availability as presenters.</li> <li>• Shaden to email David Lee on City's participation as vendors on Nov. 25<sup>th</sup> to promote after school programs, welcome policy and accessibility.</li> <li>• Shaden to invite MTCS and Parks/Rec to have a vendor tables at Nov. 25<sup>th</sup> conference.</li> </ul>
<p><b>OTF Parents Matter Project – Updates (See Month in Review attached):</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Shaden gave a brief updates on parents Matter Project progress. She mentioned that 2 learning sessions on Healthy Nutrition for Children 6-12 years old were delivered on Nov. 22 and 29 by Sick Kids doctors and a Syrian newcomer pediatric doctor @ Working Women Community Centre and Dorset Park Hub.</li> <li>• She also briefed the group about the development of new parent learning contents on Mental Health and mentioned that 1<sup>st</sup> website</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Shaden to share with MCMCT members the new draft website after incorporating workgroup comments.</li> </ul>

<p>draft was created which will be discussed with web-designer and website workgroup on Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup> 2017.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Shaden talked about parent leaders’ engagement through summer and mentioned that 3 sessions were delivered by them on Sleep and Routines, Discipline and Behavior and Parents Matter project at the Learning Enrichment Foundation.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Sector Update – Other:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Paola updated members on the upcoming conference for service providers “School Age Conference” on Oct. 14<sup>th</sup> @ George Brown waterfront premises.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Shaden to reply to Paola on MCMCT participation as vendors @ Oct. 14<sup>th</sup> conference.</li> </ul>
<p><b>October 16<sup>th</sup> CANCELLED</b> <b>Next Meeting: Monday November 20<sup>th</sup> , 2017 at CAS of Toronto</b></p>	