

Community Youth Initiative

AGENDA

October 20, 2020, 9:00 – 11:00 a.m.

Teams Meeting

In Attendance: Shawn Souder LLGAMH; Sue Poldervaart RNJ Youth Services; Laurie Bourne McKeigan ARCC; Louise Mulder UCDSB; Lorena Crosbie CMHLG; Alison Inglis UCDSB; Jane Fullarton BBBS; Rob Adams YMCA; Trish Buote UWLG; Chelsea Anderson EEC; Victoria Robertson Connect Youth; Margaret Fancy (Chair)

Welcome/Introductions

Don Lewis, CYI chair sent his regrets.

1.0 Review and Additions to Agenda
Agenda adopted

2.0 Review of September 29, 2020 Meeting Notes
Adopted

2.1 Business arising

Meeting re: addiction services – Lorena reported that a very productive meeting had been held with Shawn Souder, Alison Inglis, Don Lewis and Sue Poldervaart to discuss access to addiction services. A follow up meeting is planned and recommendations will be reported to CYI group.

3.0 Discussion Items

3.1 School Update –

UCDSB-- Alison reported that a Special Services Councillor has been hired to support virtual learning. More positions to be added

CDSBEO—Michelle reported that Tanya Roddick is the new Behavioural Crisis Consultant for CDSBEO

20% of students learning online

COVID case in one LG school – Holy Cross

3.2 Gananoque Situation Update –

From our group – what activities do we know of already in place in Gan or what could members of this group commit to for that area?

- Increase promotion of Youth Activity Kits
- Kids Have Stress Too being offered
- Possibility of offering pop up in person programmes

Action: Members to consider what they could commit to in terms of offering support

Margaret reported that a group of community partners including: Scott Gee (GPS); Sue P; Matt Harper (Deputy Mayor) Trevor Holme (Principal GISS); Kim Marshall (Health Unit); Don Lewis; Kari Lambe (Recreation Director); Margaret F. met to discuss next steps in terms of supporting recreation for youth. Citizens` group has not been active. Decision to make a presentation to Council, outlining gaps and asking for support from Council in terms of permission to apply for grants and considering a position to support youth in the community.

Next meeting November 4

3.3 Youth Engagement Committee – As a position for this has been established, where/how should this be supported/coordinated

3.4 Overdose Concerns – Updated discussion from previous meeting re concerns in the Brockville and L&G area.

Alison asked about the public education component of MDS plan. Agreement that Health Unit should be approached re: social media messages.

3.5 Transportation Update – Follow-up to discussion from previous meeting

Jane reported that there has been no discussion specifically geared to youth transportation at City of Brockville level.

Rob reported that Y is getting a number of youth from Prescott. Taxi vouchers have been offered to support. Victoria reported that one youth from that area is able to drive.

4.0 Roundtable/Other Business

Youth Activities Project – Sue reported that 178 kits had been delivered. They are looking for partners willing to provide more online activities. There are a growing number of community partners. Referrals for kits – go to rnjyouth.com There has been great feedback from participants.

Stingers – started on the 20th; runs every Tuesday.

Two groups of laser tag, Aaron’s Mill lending library. Contact Hope Bennett for more information. Please spread the word

Next Meeting Date: November 10 9 a.m.

Agenda items:

- Possible:
 - Invitation to EEC re programs for local youth
 - Invitation to new CEO for LLGAMH