

ABORIGINAL PLANNING WORKING GROUP MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, MAY 29, 2015, 1:30-3:30PM, COMMUNITY WELLBEING CENTRE, TYENDINAGA

IN ATTENDANCE: Susan Ramsay, Donna Kaye, Tammy Didychuk, Tracey Gazley, Susan Sweetman, Diana Barlow, Wendy Anderson, Jessica Anderson

REGRETS: Robin Simpson, Tracey Dale, Margo Russell-Bird, Brandi Hildebrand, Diane Martin, Wendy Haystead, Sarah Brown (soon Dunkley)

PURPOSE:

1. To complete the 2014 Early Child Development – Aboriginal Planning Template for approval by the Children and Youth Services Network and submission to the Ministry of Education by August 31, 2014.
2. To engage and strengthen relationships between Aboriginal and mainstream service providers.
3. To work together in 2014/15 and plan for the delivery of more seamless and integrated services for Aboriginal children & families in HPE.

Item	Discussions/Motions	Recommendations <i>(things to go forward to the Networks)</i>	Action <i>(including Person Responsible And Completion Date)</i>
1. Opening and Welcome	Wendy A. welcomed the group and introductions were made.		
2. Identify Recorder	Jessica A. agreed to record minutes.		
3. Review Agenda	Accepted		
4. Co-chairs and Coordinating Team Representative	Wendy will facilitate but recommends rotation.		

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5. Accept April 17, 2015 Minutes	Unavailable. Tabled to next meeting.		
6. <u>Business Arising</u> a) Best language – Aboriginal or Indigenous? b) Are we a working group or a committee?	a) Tabled until more representation from Working Group is in attendance. b) Discussion – Other Working Groups are temporary and have a specific task/project. Proposal to Network to make permanent Committee. In Kingston they call it a “Circle”. Decision deferred until language issue has been resolved.		a) Pilot Project: Communications Officer will ask community what is acceptable. Get Youth input from schools. Questions will be “How do you identify yourself?” Options: Aboriginal, Indigenous, First Nation, Other. Wendy will collect information then ask for more community’s feedback at next meeting.
7. Summary of Next Steps	Projects added to 2015/2016 Planning Template to be presented to Network on June 25 th . 1. Translate 3, 4 and 5 year Nipissing into Mohawk.		1. Tracey will invite Mohawk Immersion Program to discuss proceeding with the template to translate.

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	<p>2. Continue with Come Walk in My Moccasins e-newsletter. Money is spent on Software subscription, honorariums for elders, food and space. Subscriptions increasing.</p> <p>3. Brandi, Tracey and Wendy met with KFL&A Planning Circle (Kate Brant and Judith Moses) and will continue collaborating.</p> <p>4. Intended Outcome of Professional Development event will be Cultural Awareness. KFL&A did all day training. There are funds in the budget that can be applied to this professional development. Add No Wrong Door Training for Head Start and Day Care in Tyendinaga to template.</p> <p>5. Motion to add Group Name language to plan.</p>		<p>2. A survey with a draw will be created and more promotion is encouraged within working group.</p> <p>3. Working group will look for representation from Northumberland for collaboration.</p>
8.Next Meeting Date	Wendy A. will send a doodle poll to confirm date and time for the next meeting. Possible meeting in Bancroft.		
9.Adjournment	Adjournment at 4pm		