

### **WRCPC Minutes**

December 9, 2016 WRPS North Division 45 Columbia Street, Waterloo Community Room, first floor 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. (8:30 a.m. networking)

Chair: Chris Cowie Recorder: M. Allen

**Present:** Barry Cull, Carolyn Albrecht, Cathy Harrington, Chris Cowie, Courtney Didier, Denise Squire, Derek Haime, Don Roth, Doug Thiel, Douglas Bartholomew-Saunders, Felix Munger, Helen Jowett, Irene O'Toole, Jennifer Mains, Joe-Ann McComb, John Shewchuk, Jonathan English, Liz Vitek, Mark Pancer, Michael Beazely, Pari Karem, Peter Rubenschuh, Sarah Shafiq, Sharon Ward-Zeller, Shayne Turner, Tom Galloway

**Regrets:** Alison Scott, Karen Spencer, Angela Vanderheyden, Bill Wilson, Bryan Larkin Mike Haffner, Carolyn Schoenfeldt, Jane Mitchell, Kathy Payette, Kelly Anthony, Mark Poland, Karey Katzsch, Peter Ringrose, Sharlene Sedgwick-Walsh, Trisha Robinson

**Staff and Students:** Christiane Sadeler, David Siladi, Dianne Heise, Michael Parkinson, Tracy Jasmins

## 1. Welcome:

Chris Cowie provided greetings and introductions were made.

# Land Acknowledgement:

At the last Council meeting of November 18, 2016 Council approved a motion to **consider Land Acknowledgement** at the beginning of each meeting. Before moving forward with this intention, Derek Haime shared that it would be appropriate to invite a **Knowledge Keeper** to a Council meeting to explain the significance and the purpose of **Land Acknowledgement**. Derek offered to make those arrangements for early in 2017 if requested by the Chair of Council.

# **Nutrition for Learning:**

Tracy announced that in the spirit of the season a donation was made to **Nutrition for Learning** on behalf of the WRCPC.

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# 2. Approval of Agenda:

Operational Plan item moved up to number eight on the Agenda.

Moved by Courtney Didier and seconded by Denise Squire. Carried

- 3. Declaration of Conflict of Interest: None
- 4. Approval of the November 18, 2016 Minutes

Moved by Courtney Didier seconded by Helen Jowett. Carried

### 4.1 Business Arising:

The Council meeting package included the two CPC reports that were provided at the Community Services Committee (CSC) of Regional Council: The **Charter for Inclusive Communities** presented to CSC on November 22, 2016 and **The Overdose Crisis in Ontario** presented on December 9, 2016

In addition to the **Charter for Inclusive Communities** report Sarah Shafiq participated in a delegation to the Community Services Committee.

Regional Council has endorsed the Charter and the Region of Waterloo is currently the third municipality in Canada to have done so.

As directed by Regional Council, Regional staff forwarded the endorsement of the Charter to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO.

Sarah Shafiq asked that the WRCP Council members to share the Charter with their sectors.

As part of the CPC **Overdose Crisis in Ontario** report, Michael Parkinson presented to the Community Services Committee. The report was well received.

It was suggested by Helen Jowett that the WRCPC staff keep Regional Council abreast of any new developments and updates about critical issues.

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WRCPC does provide an annual update to Regional Council about its overall work but additional updates about specific issues other than through the Regional report process are best requested by the Chair of the Community Services Committee. Helen offered to make that connection for WRCPC.

Michael Parkinson and Tracy Jasmins will also be presenting to the Waterloo Wellington Local Health Integrated Network on December 14, 2016 about the overdose issue in the region and beyond.

# 5. WRCPC Dates for 2017 for Approval:

The 2017 dates for the WRCPC meetings were presented for approval.

Moved by Sharon Ward Zeller seconded by Denise Squire. Carried.

# 6. Governance Policy and Root Causes Statement:

#### Governance:

Christiane Sadeler brought forward the updated WRCPC Governance policy (excluding the Root Causes Statement) for WRCPC approval.

The language of the Governance has been updated to make it more current and all the changes that were approved by Council over the years have been incorporated. There is one change to the Governance in the area of financial approval that will require Council approval. It was recommended to move the revenue accounts under "Other Financials" in the Governance. This would allow Christiane to use funds from the revenue accounts without seeking a form of approval from Council that is different from other financial limitations.

# Moved by Shayne Turner and seconded by Doug Theil. Carried

### **Root Causes Statement:**

Dianne Heise brought forward the updated **Root Causes Statement** to the WRCPC to review, for feedback and for approval in principal.

The Root Causes Statement is a foundational statement of Council that is located in the Governance Policy and, in addition, will be reflected on the CPC website under "Research" heading.

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As directed by Council and based on feedback from the CPC annual retreat, when the changes to the current statement were first introduced, staff and students continued to update the statement also by reviewing the research.

In the updated statement, there was an effort to make a clear distinction between root causes and risk factors. Some protective factors and strength-based approaches were also added. In addition, risk factors listed in the original statement have been framed as factors to reflect both risk and protective factors.

The WRCPC reviewed the changes to the Statement and provided feedback. Dianne Heise noted the Council's feedback and will implement changes and additions based on the feedback. The final Statement will be brought back to Council at the January 13, 2016 meeting.

Shayne Turner put forth a motion that the updated Root Causes Statement be approved in principle. This was seconded by Carolyn Albrecht. Carried

# 7. Nominating Committee Update:

Motion to go into closed session moved by Courtney Didier and seconded by Denise Squire. Carried

Motion to come out of camera moved by Sharon War-Zellers and seconded by John Shewchuk. Carried

# 8. Operational Plan Review

The Operational Plan 2016 is part of the WRCPC Smart on Crime Strategic Plan 2014–2018. It is a more detailed plan outlining the implementation of the Strategic Plan. Staff work plans are implemented based on this Operational Plan. The Facilitating Committee has already had the opportunity to review the Plan.

The **Operational Plan 2016** is monitored by staff. The three questions staff considered when reflecting on the Plan were as follows:

- 1. Did we do what we said we were going to do and how successful was that?
- 2. Is this something that we did not anticipate doing but it helps to support the overall strategic directions of the CPC?
- 3. Is there a recommendation to drop an item based on changed circumstances?

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Christiane will provide a written overview and update of the **Operational Plan** at a future date. Meanwhile she provided an overview of some of the work highlights of 2016 in a brief PowerPoint presentation.

# 9. Youth Engagement Update:

David Siladi and Michael Parkinson provided an update on the WRCPC Youth Engagement Strategy.

Through a Service Canada grant, students Joel Badali and Brandon Hey were hired to develop a report based on a literature review and local key informant surveys. The full report is still being reviewed and currently not ready for release.

David Siladi provided some of the content included in the report. Please see PPT attached.

The second part of the presentation about the next steps in the development of the Youth Engagement Strategy and elements of the presentation regarding the content of the report was carried forward to the next meeting due to lack of time.

Christiane did share that when WRCPC had given staff the direction to develop a the Youth Engagement Strategy, which came out of the inREACH project, she had envisioned developing something akin to the drug strategy with a focus on marginalized youth.

A grant application for 100 thousand dollars has been prepared and submitted in partnership with Kinbridge for funding to establish a youth reference group. 50 thousand dollars has been procured in-kind. An announcement will be made at the next meeting on January 13, 2016 as to whether or not that grant was successful.

#### 10. Other Business: None

11. Adjournment: Moved by Douglas Bartholomew-Saunders at 11:32 a.m.

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