



DUFFERIN PARENT SUPPORT NETWORK

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Date | time Sep 09, 2024, noon at DCAFS

In Attendance

Present: Phyllis N (treasurer), Susan W (secretary), Saket K, Sarah J, Alyssa K (program coordinator) Loren R (project coordinator)

Regrets: Jessica W, Wendy C (chair)

Agenda

The agenda was approved. Phyllis acted as chair for the meeting in Wendy's absence.

Land Acknowledgement

The land acknowledgement was read by Phyllis as follows:

"DPSN recognizes that these traditional territories, upon which we live and learn, are steeped in rich Indigenous history and traditions. We also acknowledge there is much reconciliation work to do that honours the recommendations of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission and the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples."

Approval of July 08, 2024, Meeting Minutes

Susan noted a date needed to be changed (re approval of June meeting minutes – should read Jun 10, 2024, rather than the May date.) With this change noted, all approved the minutes for the board meeting held on July 08, 2024.

Coordinator's Report

Alyssa is looking into some new facilitators and has noted that one of the regular facilitators is booked for this fall.

Alyssa and Susan are planning on offering the 6-week "How to Talk" program, in-person, this fall.

Treasurer's Report

Phyllis reported that the bank balance, including a \$25,000 GIC, is at \$37,951.90.

United Way Grant

Nothing new to report. We have been approved for \$8,000 per year for 2 years (April 01, 2024 – March 21, 2026). The 2023-2024 report was submitted April 26, 2024.

Dufferin County Community Grant

Nothing new to report. We have been approved for \$5,000 per year, for 3 years (April 11, 2024 and April 10, 2027).

Orangeville County Community Grant

Nothing new to report. The grant was approved for \$2,600. This is one-time funding.

Community Services Recovery Fund Grant

Nothing new to report.

Promotion and Fundraising

Alyssa will send out some prospective grant opportunities for everyone to investigate.

Loren is investigating a few possible fundraiser and grant possibilities.

Alyssa and Loren are attending DC Moves, to network with other local organizations.

Social media tips, events and workshop info will be ongoing, with a target of about once per week. Loren, Alyssa, Saket and a volunteer will work on this.

A discussion was held about ways to network with other organizations and to connect with potential new facilitators.

Communications

Alyssa has set up a calendar that all board members and the coordinators can share such that everyone knows what events are coming up, what workshops are being offered, when people will be away on holidays...

Alyssa will also set up a shared google doc where we can keep track of things to read, things to comment on, and any other action items.

Alyssa will give Loren the DPSN phone to use, as Alyssa mainly works via email with workshop participants.

Policy Updates

Nothing new to report.

Board meeting dates for 2024 - 2025

Normally the second Monday of the month, from 12 – 2pm, but a few have been changed due to conflicts:

Fall 2024

Sept 09 (in-person at DCAFS)

Oct 21 (was made a week later due to Thanksgiving)

Nov 18 (changed because of Remembrance day)

Dec 16 (date changed to correspond better with previous meeting; in-person; location TBD)

Winter and spring 2025:

Jan 13

Feb 10

Mar 17 (Mar 10 is March break)

April 14

May 12

Jun 9 (AGM & Board meeting @ DCAFS)

Next Meeting: Monday, Oct 21, 2024, 12 -2 pm, via Zoom
