

PEI Family Violence Prevention Services, Inc.
Board Meeting
February 25, 2014 (6:00-8:00pm)
Location: FVPS Office, Charlottetown, PE

Present: Sharon O'Brien, Detry Carragher, Michele Dorsey, Faye Kingdon, Michelle Buttery, Shauna Reddin, Kathy Bigsby, Bill MacLeod, Phil Matusiewicz (ex officio), Danya O'Malley (ex officio)

Regrets: Edgar MacLeod,

1. Approval of Agenda

MOTION: That the agenda be approved as circulated.

M/S: Sharon O'Brien / Detry Carragher

CARRIED.

2. Minutes

MOTION: That the minutes of January 28, 2014 be approved with the date correction.

M/S: Kathy Bigsby / Michelle Buttery

CARRIED.

3. Meeting with the Minister

The meeting with the minister is on April 17, 2014. Phil has proposed that we change the board meeting from April 15th to the 17th, so that we are able to report back to the board about the meeting. This works for everyone.

4. Nomination Committee Update

Phil meets with an interested person brought forward by Bill next week. Kathy Bigsby also has someone who might be interested. The nomination committee will give a further update next meeting. We have at least one, potentially two spots open.

5. Youth Website

Phil presented what we expect is a final draft of the youth website, which will be housed at teenrelationships.ca.

6. ED Report

- Phil and Michelle talked about the All about YoUth program going on in four Island schools.
- Family Violence Prevention Week has really grown from the original declaration to what it is today, with walks happening across the province, a pancake breakfast in Summerside and many events up west and in Charlottetown. A lot of time and effort happens in large part because of a push from the outreach staff across the province.
- It was agreed that the organization would send flowers in memory of Karin Laronde.
- The Sweetheart Dinner was a tremendous success. Over 200 tickets sold, which was a sellout crowd. The Lucky You! draws went over very well and there was a lot of positive feedback.
- The Rotary Supplement will have a spread about the work that Lindsay is doing.
- The current Collective Agreement will end on March 31, 2014. Phil will be starting the process for negotiations soon and will update the board as there is news.

- Phil circulated a press release on the Data Count which will go out on March 5th. March 8th is International Women’s Day. The theme is *Inspiring Change*. There is also the local data and comments in the board packet. Bringing some of this to the Minister may be valuable. Nationally a lack of funding has been identified by shelters.

7. SAS House – Lauren McQuaid

Lauren McQuaid came to speak with the board about the changes with the board at SAS. Our board has set up a subcommittee to develop a plan to gather more information on the ways we could potentially become more involved. Unlike our Second Stage housing, SAS is long-term housing, which is a gap our clients currently face.

8. Second Stage Housing

There has been a recent trend in the shelter of young, pregnant women, typically under 25. A single woman often has difficulty accessing income support if her baby is unborn, as she is deemed to have no children.

9. Other Business

None

10. Personnel

11. Next Meeting

April 17th will be our next meeting, it was decided that we will change this meeting to Summerside.
Motion to Adjourn – Shauna Reddin

Chair

Date