

Minutes

Community Advisory Committee – SCS Study October 29, 2019 –1:30 p.m. – Boardroom

Co-Chairs: A. Zbar and S. Weber	
Recorder:	A. Ranger

Present:	J. Eibl	T. Campbell	S. Weber
	R. St Onge	C. Belanger	A. Zbar
	C. Brisebois	L. Lafontaine	
	K. Savage	J. Gough	C. Belanger
	S. Laclé	S. Calixte	P. MacDonald
Regrets	K. Morin	R. Zuck	R. Rainville
	B. Dubois	M. Luoma	A. Day
	A. Boyer	B. McCullagh	P. Oghene
	J. MacIntyre	J. McCarty	J. Gorman
Guests	D. Marsh	M. Kangeswaren	M. Gakiya

ltem Number	Item Name/Description of Outcome	Action/ Individual Responsible
1.0	Call to order/roll call The meeting was called to order at 1:35 p.m.	
2.0	Review and approval of agenda The agenda was approved as presented.	
3.0	Review and approval of minutes The minutes of the September 25, 2019 were approved as circulated.	
4.0	Invitations/PresentationsDr. D. Marsh, NOSM provided a presentation on Evidence BasedHarm Reduction for Injection Drug Use.What was covered?• Definition of Harm Reduction• First supervised injection site in North America (Vancouver)• Drug Policy, Ideology and Public Health• Overdose prevention• Limitations of law enforcement• Methodology for evaluating Insite (medically supervised safer injection facility), including stats and data• August 2006 International AIDS meeting in Toronto• Health Canada Exemption	



	Current Approved Supervised Consumption sites in Canada	
	Dr. D. Marsh explained that there are other models on how these sites can run, i.e. doesn't necessarily have to be open 24/7. He felt it would be important to provide the opportunity for the community to be educated on this topic.	
	Business owners could be contacted to discuss harm reduction with them along with the safety aspect. A public input session could be organized to include those that live in the neighbourhood of the proposed site. Mobility of the site was discussed and there is evidence to support that there isn't has much uptake when the site is mobile.	
	Dr. D. Marsh reiterated that we value everyone as human beings and they deserve to be treated well.	
	Dr. Marsh was thanked for a very informative presentation. A pdf of the PowerPoint will be distributed to the group.	
5.0	Business Arising	
5.1	 Learning and Action Plan The next meeting is scheduled for December 5, 2019 and the Greater Sudbury Police Service will be presenting. Initiatives to prevent substance misuse will be presented by a member of the school team, Public Health Sudbury & Districts at the February 2020 meeting. 	
6.0	New Business	
7.0	Standing items	
7.1	Research/Technical Working Group update Surveys have been completed and are now in the process of conducting community focus groups. The goal is to obtain as much engagement as possible into the focus groups and then synthesize the data. Dr. P. Oghene will be continuing on a part-time basis in order to complete the focus groups.	
	The Greater Sudbury Police Service has been contacted with respect to data. A Research Technical Working Group will be scheduled in December.	
	The milestones document is being updated and will come to this table for information. Everyone was thanked for their feedback.	
7.2	Communications Working Group update	



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9.0	 Next steps It was agreed that the next meeting after the December meeting will be held in February 2020 and subsequent bi-monthly meetings (a doodle poll will be sent out) Next meeting date/time 	
8.0	 Announcements/enquiries The STOP Society may obtain a trailer in the near future. A successful coat drive recently took place. A meeting with Jamie West will soon be taking place. Chantal Belanger reported that a presentation was made to the businesses in the downtown core through the Community Drug Strategy. The concerns expressed were mainly related to crime. Will need to strategize on how to address those concerns (perception vs. reality). A video and harm reduction toolkit was developed with the City of Greater Sudbury and will look into increasing awareness of this video and toolkit through paid advertising on Facebook to get the message out. 	
	 The communications group is creating a public facing document to inform the public on the next steps of the study. This will be added to the Community Drug Strategy Website. Updates of the study are posted regularly to the website to keep our community informed of the study. The group discussed various options to reach more people in our community as the public information sessions were not successful. There was mention of having a live Facebook, lunch and learns. The group will continue to explore viable options to increase awareness The Anti-Stigma campaign script "Those People Are Us" was reviewed and well received from the group. The group had discussion regarding the call to action. The call to action suggested was -<i>Talk to your friends and family about drug use.</i> The call to action will be included in the video series and direct viewers to the website. Have incorporated our messaging into our local school boards. "We are Jeff" video was shared and well received. The video will be launched in the fall. A communications plan is being developed. The video will also be presented to council at a future date. Next meeting will take place in Jan 2020. 	



	December 5, 2019 – 1:30 p.m. Public Health Sudbury & Districts Boardroom	
11.0	Adjournment The meeting was adjourned at 3:15 p.m.	