

We have the opportunity to have a display and need volunteers to be at the booth. Will 'sign up' closer to the date.

Michael Reist;

Author of " The Dysfunctional School: Uncomfortable Truths and Awkward Insights on School, Learning, and Teaching". Event is listed on our Spring Schedule, we will advertise it at the Home and Garden Show, Joan will take the event flyer to the Dufferin District School Council Meeting, will email it to our contacts after March Break.

Coordinator:

Activity Report distributed by Joan to all board members.

Joan completed a 'Summary Report' of feedback from all the Fall workshops and will email this to all the Board members.

- **Children's Festival**

Six people attended the first planning meeting. Date is June 13th. Phyllis will write funding application to CFF and submit in March. Funds have been requested from RBC. Paula and Joan attended meeting Wed. Dec. 10th at 1:00 pm., and next meeting is today. Dods and McNair will supply the portapotties again.

- **Monthly Column**

Lynn Walburn's column is accepted and will be submitted to the Banner. Kolleen is writing February's on Bullying. Michael Reist is writing March's on Gender Differences in learning, Kolleen will write on 'Positive Language' in April.

- **Spring Workshop Schedule** has been approved by the board. Joan has drafted a one page document about DPSN that could be printed on the back of the schedule. Joan will seek UGDSB approval for this.

- **Weigh 2 Go**

Year long program offered through DAFHT and Acts Gym targeting children aged 8-11 yo, and their parents. They asked about DPSN possibly providing a workshop on Communication. Discussed issues- will suggest Public Health if specific to weight management, but may be able to provide a general communication workshop via on of our facilitators.

- **Communities in Action**

Kolleen will attend meetings for this committee. Involves various initiatives including 'safe routes to schools' .

4. Reports:

- Program Committee: Nothing to report

- Treasurer: Books updated to end of December. Phyllis distributed statement.
- Fundraising: Need meeting

- **New Business**

Information Sharing Policy-Kolleen will draft a policy for the next meeting

Donner Foundation Awards of Excellence: Barbara reported on DPSN's score on the Foundation's questionnaire. Our score is 7.4, which is in the top 25% percentile.

Next Meeting: Monday February 9th, 2009, 9:30 am

9. **Adjourned-** 11:35