



MINUTES

Date | time 10/5/2015 1:00 PM | Meeting called to order by Barbara H

In Attendance

Kolleen M (Co-chair) Jan P (Chair), Phyllis N (Treasurer), Laura L (Coordinator) , Stacey M (recorder),
Barbara H, Joan O'B

Regrets: Shirley M (volunteer), Barb W

Approval of Agenda

Motion: Barbara W

Second: Stacey M

Approval of Minutes from June 1, 2015, with a minor change

With the correction of Joan O'B initials

Motion: Jan P

Second: Kolleen M

Ask a Lawyer – Suzanne Deliscar

- Suzanne Deliscar offers free Ask a Lawyer sessions for individuals
- Three different themes; Family Law, Wills & Estates and Children with Special Needs, Taxes and Law
- Suzanne D runs a Trilingual Law Practice – French/Spanish/English
- Discussion about offering this in the Spring; 1 hour presentation and then a Q & A period at the end (7-9pm or 7-8:30pm times were mentioned)
- Ideal size is around 20-25 people, 30 people max
- Discussion around offering a workshop to compliment this Ask a Lawyer session around Dealing with your emotions before starting the Legal Process of Separation or Divorce.

Coordinator's Report

A. Fall Parenting Workshops:

- Raising your Spirited School Aged Child –Booster Session – has 6 registered now
- Schoolwork Strategies for Parents – only 1 registered; not sure of this workshop will happen

B. Special Presentations:

i. Teresa Pitman, The Resilient Child: Fortifying Your Child against Stress:

- Jan, Stacey, Joan and Laura are able to attend
- Won't need to much in the way of set-up and take down for this presentation

- ii. Alyson Schafer: Family Talk about Drinking
 - Booked for November 23rd at ODSS at 7:00PM
- iii. Pro Grant:
 - Ross Greene still a priority to book for the Spring
 - Will not be doing the 4 parenting sessions
 - Need to start getting things planned and booked for the Spring
 - Will break into smaller groups to discuss more of the Pro Grant details
 - Discussion of contracting Laura for some of the Design/ Marketing materials
- iv. Other:
 - Funding – Meeting with Dufferin County: Still trying to connect with Pam Hillcock with the County of Dufferin to discuss new guidelines
 - Donation: Received a mysterious donation of \$500.00 from the Altamira Group. Laura is looking into this
 - Banner: Possible donation from the Banner
 - United Way: Still waiting to hear about a site visit

Treasurer's Report

Phyllis reported having a bank balance of \$27,000, this is before the PRO Grant \$

Strategic Planning

Strategic Plan:

- We approved Strategic Plan in June
- Will be dated it for 2015-2018
- Barbara H will make the final changes and send it out

Event Sponsorship:

- Sponsors for events pretty straight forward. Tabled for discussion at next meeting on how to ensure proper representation for ongoing sponsorships

Participation at Community Events (Maples Oct 3rd):

- Not as big as last year; but it still was a success
- It is the right time of year and it is the right audience
- Need to send thank you letter

Promotion – Citizen, Radio Station:

- Events added to the Radio Station online Calendar; they sometimes promote the events on the Calendar
- Discussion about putting Flyers/Workshop Schedule at the desk of Parks & Rec desk at the arenas
- Discussion about dropping some off at churches as well

Next Meetings

November 9th

December 7th (12-3pm)

January 11th

February 8th

March 7th

April 11th

May 9th

June 6th