



**Dufferin Parent Support Network
Minutes March 5, 2012**

Present: Paula Conning, Kolleen McIlveen (chair and recorder), Phyllis Noce, Joan O'Brien-Curtin,

Regrets: Pat Gardner, Kally Nicholson, Barbara Horvath

1. Call to Order: approval of agenda:M. Conning; S. Noce

2. Minutes; Defer approval of February 13, 2012 minutes to April 2, 2012 Meeting

3. Strategic Planning

A. Environmental Scan Coordinator:

a. Kolleen to meet with Stacey to sign off on contract agreement before April 1, 2012

4. Coordinator's Report (in addition to written report)

- **Newspaper columns:**

- Joan compiled the information from the facilitators, testimonials and the workshop schedule for March column. Kolleen to read and add section on normalizing parent education
- Kolleen to start writing columns based on material from Raising Responsible Children course to have on reserve for future submissions

- **Workshops**

- Concern about registration for How to Talk so Kids Will Listen because it begins week after March break and schedules were just sent to schools. If it needs to be moved back a week to allow for registration Joan will determine.

- **Facilitator Agreement**

- Joan to send the Facilitator Agreement to all Board Members to review. One facilitator does not believe they need to sign agreement because they are facilitating on behalf of their organization. Perhaps the facilitator's manager will need to sign the agreement. To be determined.

- **Request for workshops**

- A school in Shelburne is interested in holding a workshop for parents at the school through PRO Grant funding. Joan to follow up.
- A day care in Dundalk is looking for parent education; specifically Effective Communication. Dundalk is in the Grey/Bruce County. Joan will refer the day care to Grey/Bruce County to look for parent education workshops in their area.

- **Upcoming events requiring DPSN volunteer representation**

- Kolleen to send email to all board members, staff and volunteers to request availability for the Lions Home and Garden Show March 30 to April 1, 2012 to set a schedule to man the booth.
- Kolleen to send email to all board members to request availability for the Children's Festival on June 9, 2012 to set a schedule to man the booth. Decided that DPSN will not supervise the bouncy castle attraction this year.

5. Reports:

- **Treasurer:** Phyllis reported on the bank balance and is working on the books for the auditor.
- **Fundraising:** only outstanding application is United Way

6. Next meeting: April 2 at 3:00