

**1ST REPORT OF THE**  
**CHILDCARE ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Meeting held on January 26, 2017, commencing at 1:38 PM, in Committee Room #4, Second Floor, London City Hall.

**PRESENT:** D. Gordon (Chair), T. Blaney, S. Carter, L. Cross, B. Jackson, J. Keens, S. McKee, J. Rinker, A. Ryan and C. Wagg and J. Martin (Committee Secretary).

**ABSENT:** N. Elhayek and A. Rae.

**ALSO PRESENT:** E. De Freitas, H. Gerrits and P. VanDyk.

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**I. CALL TO ORDER**

1. Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest

That it BE NOTED that no pecuniary interests were disclosed.

**II. ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS**

2. Election of Chair and Vice-Chair for the Term Ending November 30, 2017

That it BE NOTED that the Childcare Advisory Committee elected D. Gordon and J. Keens as Chair and Vice Chair, respectively, for the term ending November 30, 2017.

**III. SCHEDULED ITEMS**

None.

**IV. CONSENT ITEMS**

3. 3rd Report of the Childcare Advisory Committee

That it BE NOTED that the 3rd Report of the Child Care Advisory Committee, from its meeting held on October 24, 2016, was received.

4. City of London Child Care Update

That it BE NOTED that a verbal update from P. Van Dyk, Manager, Children's Services, with respect to the childcare subsidy, was received.

5. Thames Valley District School Board Update

That it BE NOTED that a verbal update from H. Gerrits, Thames Valley District School Board (TVDSB), with respect to the provision of before and after school programs for Kindergarten to Grade 8 students with the TVDSB as well as future capital funding from the Ministry of Education, was received

6. London District Catholic School Board Update

That it BE NOTED that no update was received as the representative was not in attendance.

7. Partners Report - Marketing Report

That it BE NOTED the Child Care Advisory Committee was advised that the new brand for Partners, the Licensed Child Care Network (LCCN), was unveiled in January 2017.

**V. SUB-COMMITTEES & WORKING GROUPS**

8. Adopt a Councillor/Trustee Sub-Committee

That it BE NOTED that the Child Care Advisory Committee held a general discussion with respect to the progress of the Adopt a Councillor/Trustee initiative; it being noted that the Sub-Committee will develop the next steps for this initiative.

9. Terms of Reference Sub-Committee

That the Civic Administration BE REQUESTED to consider the attached revised Terms of Reference for the Child Care Advisory Committee; it being noted that the proposed revisions reflect changes to the membership composition only.

**VI. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION**

None.

**VII. DEFERRED MATTERS/ADDITIONAL BUSINESS**

10. 2016 Childcare Advisory Committee Workplan Summary

That it BE NOTED that the 2016 Childcare Advisory Committee (CCAC) Workplan Summary was referred back to a working group for review and report back at a future meeting of the CCAC.

11. 2017 Childcare Advisory Committee Work Plan

That it BE NOTED that the 2017 Childcare Advisory Committee (CCAC) Workplan was referred back to a working group for review and report back at a future meeting of the CCAC.

12. Draft Child Care Policy

That it BE NOTED that the Childcare Advisory Committee set a meeting date of Friday, February 17, 2017 to review and provide feedback to Civic Administration with respect to the Draft Child Care Policy; it being noted that the CCAC received a verbal update from P. Van Dyk, Manager, Children's Services, with respect to this matter.

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 3:29 P.M.

**NEXT MEETING DATE: February 17, 2017**

## **Child Care Advisory Committee**

### **Terms of Reference**

#### **Role**

While it is the legislative mandate of the Municipal Council to make the final decision on all matters that affect the Municipality, the role of an advisory committee is to provide recommendations, advice and information to the Municipal Council on those specialized matters which relate to the purpose of the advisory committee, to facilitate public input to City Council on programs and ideas and to assist in enhancing the quality of life of the community, in keeping with the Municipal Council's Strategic Plan principles. Advisory committees shall conduct themselves in keeping with the policies set by the Municipal Council pertaining to advisory committees, and also in keeping with the Council Procedure By-law.

#### **Mandate**

The Child Care Advisory Committee provides information, advice and recommendations to Municipal Council through the Community and Protective Service Committee on issues affecting early learning and child care of children from 0 years up to and including 12 years of age such as, but not limited to, special needs funding, resource centres funding, wage subsidy, child care fee subsidy and health and safety issues, such as playgrounds.

The Advisory Committee provides an opportunity for information sharing between Municipal, Provincial and Federal social service administrations and the child care community.

#### **Composition**

##### Voting Members

Thirteen members at large, representing the following sectors:

- Licensed Child Care Providers (at least seven members representing the current composition of multi and single site child care and early learning, for children from infancy through 12 years of age, including representation from the French language child care sector and the Licensed Home Child Care sector)
- Fanshawe Early Childhood Education Program
- Ontario Early Years Child and Family Centres
- Informed Community Members

### Non-Voting Resource Group

At least one representative of each of the following:

#### Government

- City of London, Children's Services
- Local School Boards – TVDSB, LDCSB, French Language School Boards

#### Community Agencies

- Middlesex-London Health Unit
- Support Services for Children with Special Needs

### Sub-committees and Working Groups

The Advisory Committee may form sub-committees and working groups as may be necessary to address specific issues; it being noted that the City Clerk's office does not provide secretariat support to these sub-committees or groups. These sub-committees and working groups shall draw upon members from the Advisory Committee as well as outside resource members, as deemed necessary. The Chair of a sub-committee and/or working group shall be a voting member of the Advisory Committee.