

Childcare Advisory Committee

Report

The 3rd Meeting of the Childcare Advisory Committee
October 30, 2019
Committee Room #4

Attendance PRESENT: D. Gordon (Chair), S. Carter, J. Hanbuch, B. Jackson, J. Keens, D. MacRae, K. May, and D. Turner (Committee Clerk)

ALSO PRESENT: A. Benton, L. Cross, J. Martin, A. Rae, A. Small and B. Westlake-Power

ABSENT: T. Blaney, J. Frederick, and H. Gerrits

The meeting was called to order at 1:33 PM.

1. Call to Order

1.1 Orientation

That it BE NOTED that the Childcare Advisory Committee heard a verbal presentation from B. Westlake-Power, Deputy City Clerk, with respect to an Advisory Committee orientation.

1.2 Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest

That it BE NOTED that no pecuniary interests were disclosed.

1.3 Election of Chair and Vice Chair for the term ending November 30, 2019

Notwithstanding the current policy for Advisory Committees, 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 June 30, 2020.

2. Scheduled Items

2.1 Licensed Childcare Network – Marketing Campaign

That it BE NOTED that the attached presentation from N. Blanchette and B. Jackson, with respect to an overview of the Licensed Child Care Network's (LCCN) recent awareness/education campaign, including a preview of the LCCN's new website promoting the Registered Early Childhood Educator career path, was received.

2.2 The Journey Together

That it BE NOTED that the attached presentation from J. Martin, Integrated Care Manager, Southwest Ontario Aboriginal Health Access Centre, with respect to an overview of recent indigenous-led child care initiatives in London, including an update on the construction of the Nshwaasnangong Child Care and Family Centre, was received.

3. Consent

3.1 2nd Report of the Childcare Advisory Committee

That it BE NOTED that the 2nd Report of the Childcare Advisory Committee from its meeting held on April 15, 2019, was received.

4. Sub-Committees and Working Groups

4.1 Childcare Advisory Committee Work Plan - 2019-2020

That it BE NOTED that the Childcare Advisory Committee (CCAC) held a general discussion with respect to the 2019/2020 CCAC Work Plan.

4.2 Adopt a Councilor

That it BE NOTED that the attached report from J. Frederick, Middlesex-London Health Unit, with respect to the 'Adopt a Councilor' program, was received; it being further noted that the CCAC is awaiting information from the Civic Administration before commencing this program.

5. Items for Discussion

5.1 City of London Update

That it BE NOTED that a verbal update from A. Rae, Manager, Children's Services, with respect to an overview of the City of London's childcare initiatives, including the current subsidy application and placement statistics, was received.

5.2 Thames Valley District School Board Update

That it BE NOTED that no report was received with respect to an update from the Thames Valley District School Board as the representative was not in attendance.

5.3 London District Catholic School Board Update

That it BE NOTED that a verbal update by A. Benton, London District Catholic School Board (LDCSB), with respect to LDCSB updates, was received.

5.4 Licensed Child Care Network Update

That it BE NOTED that the attached report from B. Jackson, Licensed Child Care Network (LCCN), with respect to the LCCN updates, was received.

5.5 Services for Special Needs Update

That it BE NOTED that the report from L. Cross, Program Manager, All Kids Belong, as appended to the agenda, with respect to services for children with special needs, was received.

5.6 Journey Together Update

That it BE NOTED that a verbal update by J. Keens with respect to indigenous-led childcare initiatives was received.

5.7 Including Francophone on Future Items for Discussions

That it BE NOTED that the Childcare Advisory Committee (CCAC) held a general discussion with respect to the addition of a French school board update/report on future CCAC agendas.

6. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 3:15 PM.