**MCMCT All Members Meeting – May 26th 2014**

Present: Cindy Himelstein, Ian Edwards, Eneyda Guerra , Pam Blanchfield, Lee Soda, Shaida Addelia, Lorna Weigand, Vanessa Chase, Lesley Johnston, Paola Collini

Regrets: Jennifer Drummond, Lorraine McLeod, Jillian Sewell, Diana Raaflaub, Lee Ford-Jones, Kathy Droy, Lisa Shortall,

1. Welcome/Introductions/Agenda consensus

* Agenda approved
* Minutes approved

1. MCMCT Historic Review

* May 7 was our 10 year anniversary
* Currently around 25 members
* Identified gap for children 6-12
* First conference was on May 7, 2004 “Middle Years Matter Conference”
* People thought middle years referred to people in their forties; therefore it was changed to middle childhood
* Arlene Perly Rae is a huge champion
* 2008/09 MCMCT and Social Planning Toronto did an inventory of programs 2010 another conference focusing on the blend of policy and practice
* 2011 received Ontario Trillium Foundation grant
  + Developed online and social media presence
  + Bus shelter add campaign
  + Many partnerships
  + Parent engagement – developed partnerships with other groups that are doing / can do workshops (Sick Kids)
  + Mental Health Conference (2013) – service provider workshops
* Coalition next steps – civic engagement, mayoral debate, Jan. 21 event….

1. Funding Update/Grant Writing Teams

* Final Report to Trillium is being prepared and will be submitted by August 28th ( due date)
* Trillium doesn’t advise MCMCT to submit report early
* Small group of MCMCT members is meeting with a Project officer from Trillium to discuss next steps
* Expect to write next OTF grant in November – this application will need to show that our work will be different/ Knowledge transfer is really important to Trillium
* Need to look for other sources of funding

1. Working Groups

* Review committee / brainstorming notes from last meeting
  1. Work plan refinement

1. Advocacy / Civic Engagement – Chair – Lesley Johnston

* Letters and meetings with candidates are critical
* Getting results from questions and posting online
* Along the road – meeting with elected officials

**Side Notes:**

* TDSB is having all candidates meeting regarding education (starting Wednesday) (see website for dates and details)
* Need to look in what Toronto Coalition for Better Childcare is doing re: all candidates meeting
* Can post the letter to mayoral candidates on website
* Would be good to arrange councillor meetings with representatives from their wards
* School board piece

1. Middle Childhood Day / OOSP – Chair - Lisa Shortall

* Could run the OOSP campaign with members’ programs
* Can ask Josh Marlow to book the space again for Jan. 21 event

1. Training / Education- Chair- Cindy Himelstein (for now)

* Conference – spring 2015
  + Include real parent engagement
  + Working with special populations in our OOSPs
  1. Committee co-chairs – will still be decided
  2. Report back

1. Other

* Anthony Falcone – contact him if you are having issues regarding principals requiring police records check of OOSP staff – MCMCT should consider having him for a lunch and learn
* There is now a partnership department at the TDSB

**Next Coalition Meeting- Monday September 15th – 10:00-12:00 pm**