



Committee: Bruce Grey PLAY Network

Meeting Date: Nov 23, 2011

Meeting Time: 10:00 – 12:00 pm

Meeting Place: P&H Centre, Hanover

Attending: Cathy Smart – *Play in Bruce Grey Coordinator*; Jason Weppler – *Grey Bruce Public Health Unit*; Katrina Eke – *Aaran-Elderslie*; Bert Lennox – *Hanover*; Jayne Jageleski – *Town of Saugeen Shores*; Kim Reid – *Tws of Huron Kinloss*; Bob Zobel – *Municipality of South Bruce*; Karen Neerhof – *Town of South Bruce Peninsula*; Lindsay Young – *Municipality of Grey Highlands*; John Fortier – *Port Elgin Volunteer*; Angela Gougeon – *Kincardine*; Dan Wilken – *Brockton*; Adam McMaster – *Municipality of Grey Highlands*; Rob Thompson – *Municipality of West grey*; Terry McKay – *Twp of Chatsworth*; Mathew Macleod – *Grey Bruce Public Health Unit*;

Recorder: Shanna Reid – *Town of Saugeen Shores*

Regrets: Lynn Davidson – *Brockton*; Brenda Dailey; Raylene Martell – *Southgate*; Wendy Frook – *Owen Sound*; Crystal Ferguson – *Public Health*; Betty Perkins – *Volunteer – Hanover*; Peter McGee – *Town of the Blue Mountains*

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1.0 10:02 am	Call to Order Welcome and Intro All Introduced themselves and new representatives were highlighted		
2.0	Review September 21st minutes:		

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3.0	<p>PLAY Representatives Update</p> <p><u>History:</u> Physical Activity Plans required by the health and Promotions and in Grey and Bruce County came up with a collaborative approach. In 2006 we launched the plan and hence PLAY was born.</p> <p><u>LHZ group:</u> For 45 years this group of Directors/recreationist/programmers met on a regular basis to talk about the issues that Recreation Departments were facing.</p> <p><u>Currently:</u> The 'Directors Group' are currently meeting to meet the needs of the communities. The regional Aquatics Group is meeting on a regular basis to discuss specific aquatic challenges and successes.</p> <p><u>Challenges:</u> Limited Staff –Budget, wages Shift in Positions Soft Service gets cut first Value of Play –Competitive Need Champions –Volunteer or Staff. Cultivating volunteers is difficult and takes time (mentoring) Changing physical activity attitudes is difficult Opening of new facilities Lack of resources, human and financial Meeting all populations Amalgamated communities –rural vrs. town</p>		

	<p>Aging infrastructure Risk Management Social Media <u>Next Steps:</u> To meet as recreation programmers to have on going communications of challenges and solutions.</p>	Catherine to assist in getting the meetings started and running.	
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4.0	<p>Meaford Walkability workshop We have 6 more months that we have these FREE workshops available in your community.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See attached Power Point notes 	Upon Request, Catherine to spear head and assist in the organization of these workshops	All to consider
5.0	<p>Deputation Update 17 municipalities received a presentation from Catherine, and Jason. This is to focus on the need for Play in all communities 11 Play Charters have been received to date</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See attached Power Point notes 	Catherine will send reminders to the 6 municipalities to sign the Charter	
6.0	<p>Spark application: A Heart and Stroke Spark application was completed; however was not submitted at this time. It was felt that the application was premature given the current focus of the PLAY initiative. Rather, energy will be devoted to identifying additional PLAY champions in every municipality who will assist both the PLAY representatives and community ensuring a solid foundation for the future of PLAY in Bruce Grey.</p>		
7.0	<p>The Shortest Day of PLAY Schools are getting on board with this initiative and</p>	Catherine to put on the web page and to forward the poster to all PLAY	All

	<p>have been sent to all the schools. Individuals can log their own hours right on the web page.</p> <p>Partnerships can be formed with local conservation areas and local events already taking place.</p>	members	
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8.0	<p>Walk 21 - Conference</p> <p>There were individuals from all over the world to discuss the benefits of walking.</p> <p>A Group of extraordinary of professionals presenting the value and benefits of walking and active transportation and best practices.</p> <p>The connection with our group is that there are a number of walking groups forming and walkable communities has been a focus for many of our communities.</p>	Catherine shared her experience at this conference and was very impressed with this conference.	
9.0	<p>Meetings and Structure</p> <p>It is desirable to bring Harry up to talk about best practices and walking within your community</p> <p>It was discussed that it is important to have the decision makers in the room for this presentation.</p> <p>It would also be a good idea to bring in training opportunities to look at the 'Challenge List' that was just discussed today.</p>		
10.0	<p>Resources</p> <p>Grey Bruce Kids – www.greybrucekids.com</p> <p>PLAY promotional items</p> <p>Walk 21 – www.walk21.com</p> <p>Youth Moving Safely with Active Transportation</p>	Jason to send out youth moving report to all PLAY Group members	

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	<p>Sharing Grey Highlands, Adam and Lindsay: are putting together a number of events – a series of ‘longest day of play’ Farmer Games, tournaments, etc.</p> <p>Display at Heritage Mall in Owen Sound to promote PLAY</p> <p>Saugeen Shores – Swim to Survive focusing on grade 3 & 4’s in schools a FREE program to</p> <p>SAVE the DATE – Active Transportation Feb 17th there is a workshop happening</p>		
11.0	<p>Next meeting Feb. 22nd , 2011 – Grey Highlands - TBC Next meetings Priority: PLAY where we go from here...</p>		