

Meeting Minutes
December 11, 2009
Walper Terrace, 1 King Street, Kitchener
9:00am – 11:39am

Present: Shelley Adams, Iman Arab, Brice Balmer, Steve Beckett, Christine Bird, Tom Brenner, Todd Cowan, Lesley DeYoung, David Dick, Tom Galloway, Pat Gillies, Wayne Morris, Maureen Murphy, Irene O'Toole, Katherine Pigott, Don Roth, Yvette Rybensky, Mike Schuster, Steve Sherrer, John Shewchuk, Gay Slinger, Laurie Strome, Brent Thomlison, Julie Thompson, Angela Vanderheyden, Aubrey Walters, Reg Weber, and Mary Zilney.

Regional Chair Ken Seiling joined the seasonal meeting to thank the CPC for their continual good work and commitment.

Regrets: Sandy Dietrich-Bell, Bill Davidson, Brenda Halloran, Jeff Klinck, Kathryn McGarry, Jane Mitchell, Peter Ringrose and Bill Wilson

Staff and Students: Mary Anna Allen, Jessica Hutchison, Juanita Metzger, Tracy Jasmins, Andrea McArthur, Michael Parkinson, Anthony Piscitelli, Christiane Sadeler, and Lindsay Klassen.

Guests: Councillor Jim Olender (Township of Wellesley); Fanis Juma Randstake (BSW student)

Chair: John Shewchuk

Recorder: Mary Anna Allen

Welcome: John Shewchuk welcomed guests and members. He also thanked Lindsay Klassen (MSW placement intern student) for her work as part of the CPC staff team and wished her well as she leaves the CPC and continues her studies.

No	Item
1.	<p><u>Approval of Agenda:</u></p> <p>Moved by Steve Beckett and seconded by Tom Brenner. Carried.</p>
2.	<p><u>Declaration of Conflict of Interest:</u> None</p>
3.	<p><u>Presentation:</u></p> <p>Steve Beckett and Brent Thomlison presented the WRPS 2009 -2011 Strategic Business Plan. <u>Please see PPT attached</u></p> <p>Canadian Association of Chief’s of Police (CACP) acknowledge crime prevention through social development. The Ontario Association of Chief’s of Police (OACP) recognizes and affirms the importance of this approach.</p> <p>The Mission statement has changed slightly to focus on “<i>developing leaders in crime prevention and law enforcement in a community partnership to improve safety and the quality of life for all people</i>”.</p> <p>One of the WRPS core values is “Children and Youth”...long-lasting crime prevention begins with them.</p> <p>The WRPS is committed to its partnerships and the Crime Prevention Council is a tribute to what the community expects.</p> <p>Copies of the WRPS 2008 Annual Report and the Strategic Business Plan were made available to the CPC members.</p> <p>Christiane was part of the community consultation process of the Plan. The performance indicators speak about the CPC. The CPC was very much part of the background as the Plan was being developed.</p> <p>The WRPS were commended for placing a focus on children and youth.</p> <p>A comment was made that there may be an over-association between youth and crime by using the term “Youth” under the third Pillar of the Plan. For clarity it was suggested that the WRPS use terms like “Youth as Opportunities.” The WRPS will be elaborating on their proactive approach with youth during presentations of the Plan.</p> <p>Other comments included: 1) The need to find a collaborative way to measure crime rates and social development rates and how they correlate; 2) The importance of measuring police involvements and investments on a geographic and population basis.</p>

4.	<p><u>Approval of Consent Agenda and Business Arising:</u></p> <p>Amendment: Under item number 9, Prison Tour: The Roy McMurtry Youth Centre in Brampton was budgeted at \$82 million not \$82 billion.</p> <p>Moved by Todd Cowan as amended and seconded by Mike Schuster. Carried.</p>
5.	<p><u>Member Profile:</u> Carried forward.</p>
6.	<p><u>Violence Prevention Plan (VPP) Update:</u> Anthony Piscitelli</p> <p>The VPP Committee divided the Violence Prevention Plan into six goals focusing on one goal per year.</p> <p>Anthony provided an update on the progress of the first area of focus: The gap analysis and asset inventory for individuals who have been a victim of interpersonal violence and services for individuals who have committed violent offences. The goal was to identify where the strengths and the gaps are in the community. <u>Please see PPT attached.</u></p> <p>Anthony reported on the research process, the emerging themes from the interviews and the next steps in the implementation. He also shared some quotes from the participants that were interviewed.</p> <p>Some participants expressed a positive experience of being able to share their story from a research perspective and others expressed their frustrations about the lack of services available to victims of crime.</p> <p>Anthony asked the CPC members to make sure that their organization has filled out the victim/offender survey. The Committee also requires more suggestions from CPC members as to whom to interview.</p> <p>It was shared during the CPC discussion that it was difficult to identify victims and or perpetrators that are not already accessing services. Abuse is not identified until they are further into the system. It is also very difficult for victims to navigate the services available to them.</p> <p>Mary Zilney offered to bring in some pamphlets to the next CPC meeting that were developed to help victims navigate services.</p> <p>There may be some opportunities to interview those involved in the aftercare program at John Howard Society.</p>

	It was also suggested to connect with the House of Friendship.
7.	<p><u>Safe Cities Series – Children and Crime – Risks & Resiliency:</u> (Tracy Jasmins)</p> <p>CPC members viewed the opening commentary for the “Safe Cities” series that was televised in November featuring “Children and Crime”. DVDs of the series are available through the CPC office.</p> <p>The Community Relations Committee looking at developing highlights of the entire series to make available later in the year.</p>
8.	<p><u>“In the Mind’s Eye” 2009 Overview:</u> (Michael Parkinson)</p> <p>Michael provided an overview of the “In the Mind’s Eye 2009”. The 2009 series featured 16 events over 20 days. <u>Please PPT attached.</u></p> <p>The film and forum series has been overseen by Michael and resourced through CPC and community partners since 2005. It is the hope that the series will be transitioned to the community partners in 2010-11.</p> <p>There was some concern from the CPC about the transitioning of the event to the community partners, how that would happen and the potential loss of the series. The series is highly regarded and valued locally and beyond.</p> <p>Christiane assured the CPC that it would be a coordinated transition without losing the impact of ITME.</p>
9.	<p><u>No Place Like Home: Housing & Harm Reduction:</u> (Michael Parkinson)</p> <p>Michael presented a summary report and survey results from the ITME 2009 event “No Place Like Home: Housing and Harm Reduction.” The survey demonstrated strong support for harm reduction-based housing for persistently homeless individuals using substances, with a perception that such housing would reduce crime and victimization- and the financial burden on emergency services and others.</p> <p>A short film about Ottawa’s Managed Alcohol Program was screened. It can be viewed on-line for free at: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QYGQKqp0yb0</p> <p>These “counter-intuitive” types of supportive housing are shown to reduce harm, financial and social burdens for individuals, community and service providers. <u>Please see PPT attached.</u> View the short report at: http://www.preventingcrime.net under “Reports”.</p>
10.	<p><u>Nominating Committee Update:</u> (Brent Thomlison)</p> <p>Brent Thomlison, Chair of the Nominating Committee, provided an update of the committee’s discussions and recommendations for approval by the CPC in preparation for</p>

	<p>the inaugural meeting in February 2010.</p> <p>Brent explained that some CPC members had not yet conveyed their intentions as to whether or not they will be continuing with Council in the coming year. He asked that the outstanding members forward their status information to Christiane so that a draft slate can be prepared for the January 2010 meeting.</p> <p>Brent Thomilson, on behalf of the Nominating Committee, brought forward the following recommendations to the CPC for approval:</p> <p>Motion: THAT the CPC approve the addition of a sector that will be represented by the aboriginal community.</p> <p>Moved by Brent Thomlison and seconded by Gay Slinger. Carried.</p> <p>Motion: THAT the CPC approve a seat, under the Ex-officio sector, to be occupied by an Alumni member.</p> <p>It was recommended the recommendation be forwarded to the Facilitating Committee to further discuss the Alumni representation on the Council.</p>
11.	<p><u>Roundtable:</u> None</p>
12.	<p><u>Other Business:</u></p> <p>12.1. David Dick shared that there was potential federal funding available under the “Community Futures Program.” More information about the funding can be found at:</p> <p>http://southernontario-suddelontario.gc.ca/eic/site/723.nsf/eng/h_00041.html</p> <p>12.2. Mike Schuster shared a few announcements:</p> <p>12.2.1. The Ontario Poverty Reduction Strategy, 2009 Annual Report is available. More information about the Report can be found at:</p> <p>http://www.children.gov.on.ca/htdocs/English/growingstronger/report/2009/index.aspx</p> <p>12.2.2. In From the Margins: A Call to Action on Poverty, Housing and Homelessness Report is available. More information about the Report can be found at:</p> <p>http://www.parl.gc.ca/40/2/parlbus/commbus/senate/com-e/citi-e/subsite-dec09-e/Report_Home-e.htm</p> <p>12.3. Jessica Hutchison asked CPC to contact her if they had not received an invitation to the Mental Health Forum being held on February 11, 2009. She can be reached at JHutchison@regionofwaterloo.ca</p>

	<p>12.4. Wayne Morris asked the CPC for assistance in advertising and promoting the Justice Dinner 2010.</p> <p>John Calhoun, the keynote speaker, is an internationally known public speaker and author of the book "Hope Matters." He manages the 13-California City Gang Prevention Network for the National League of Cities Institute for Youth, Education and Families.</p> <p>John Calhoun's bio can be found at:</p> <p>http://www.hopematters.org/aboutjack.php</p>
13.	<p><u>Adjournment:</u></p> <p>Moved by Shelley Adams and seconded by Christine Bird. Carried. Adjourned at 11:39am</p>