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MEETING DATE:

11/25/2020

MEETING TIME

9:30 p.m. to 11:30 am

LOCATION:

Microsoft Teams; On-line Meeting

ATTENDANCE:

M. Arbour (Georgian College, Employment Services for H. Hie), T. Christman (North Simcoe Muskoka LHIN), A. Dubeau – Co-Chair (County of Simcoe - County Councillor), M. Dunot (County of Simcoe - Local Immigration Partnership), K. Fraser (Lakehead University), C. Gagnon – ex officio (Province of Ontario), B. Grbic (Barrie Community Health Centre for C. Colcy), G. Hall (County of Simcoe - Library Cooperative), N. Huether (County of Simcoe - Economic Development Office), M. Kuzma (Nottawasaga Futures), B. Laurin (Ontario Provincial Police), S. Laycock (Simcoe Muskoka Workforce Development Board), S. Lee (County of Simcoe – Local Immigration Partnership), J. Maranan (Canadian Mental Health Association - York and South Simcoe), J. McGee (YMCA of Simcoe/Muskoka), L. Moorhouse (City of Barrie Police Services), I. Oliveria (Bradford Immigrant and Community Services), L. Palson (Georgian College), J. Rajalingam (Simcoe Muskoka Catholic District School Board), H. St. Germain (County of Simcoe - Early Learning & Childcare Services), A. Satkunam (IRCC Project Manager), A. Scavarelli (County of Simcoe – Ontario Works), A. Schroeder (Barrie Public Library), R. Shepard (Simcoe Muskoka Workforce Development Board), I. Toor (Simcoe County District School Board), L. Wild (City of Barrie – Mayor's Office), M. Wynia (County of Simcoe – Long Term Care), R. Young – Recording Secretary (County of Simcoe – Local Immigrant Partnership)

REGRETS:

A. Fletcher – Co-Chair (South Simcoe Police), E. McIntosh (Contact South Simcoe), K. Manners (Child Youth and Family Services Coalition of

Simcoe County), R. Wisken (Welcome Centre)

ABSENT:

S. Sarin (Ethnic Mosaic Alliance), R. Haggins (Credit Canada), I. Pavlik (pavliks.com), L. Reid (Collingwood Public Library), L. Woodrow (Barrie

Career Centre)

SUBJECT:

Local Immigration Partnership Meeting

1. Welcome/Introductions

A. Dubeau welcomed the group. Round table introductions were made.



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2. Community Updates & Other Business

L. Moorehouse: Barrie police is conducting a safety survey to be completed by Dec. 11, 2020.

3. Approval of Minutes - September 30, 2020

MOTION to accept the minutes as provided. 1St L. Moorehouse; 2nd L. Palson; ALL IN FAVOUR. Motion Carried.

4. IRCC/MHSTC Updates

C. Gagnon shared:

- the link for the Ministry for Seniors and Accessibility Inclusive Community Grant https://www.ontario.ca/page/information-seniors-organizations.
- Ontario Trillium Foundation's Resilient Communities Fund deadline is December 9, 2020 and the Community Building Fund deadline is to be determine.
- Immigrate to Ontario webpage has been updated with region specific information: https://www.ontario.ca/page/immigrate-to-ontario.

5. County of Simcoe LIP Secretariat Update

S. Lee shared:

- the funding application for the Anti-Racism Action Plan was not successful.
- some takeaways from virtual Pathways to Prosperity conference including information on the effects of the pandemic on education, employment, etc. Federally, Canada only achieved 70% of its immigration numbers and, as a result, the targets will increase in the coming years..
- the final draft of 2020 Progress Report will be provided at the next meeting for feedback.
- the Simcoe County LIP was selected by the National LIP Secretariat as a case study to learn more about the Newcomer Recognition Awards, the Ethnic Mosaic Alliance and the #ITSTARTS campaign.

6. 2020 Newcomer Recognition Awards

M. Dunot NCRA presentation: See 20NOV202 LIP Report presentation.



7. Simcoe County Diversity Hub Presentation

M. Dunot Diversity Hub presentation: See 20NOV202 LIP Report presentation



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8. #ITSTARTS

M. Dunot #TSTARTS presentation: See 20NOV202 LIP Report presentation

9. Immigrant Health Outcome Survey

S. Lee: the revised Immigrant Health Outcome survey is in the final stages of the Research Ethics Board approval and is expected to be distributed in January.

10. Sub-Councils/Working Groups



- a. Cultural Competency Working Group
- b. Settlement Sub-Council

11. Community Projects

- a. Immigrant Job Finding Club H. Hie
 M. Arbour reported for H. Hie. The IJFC continues with remote services and appreciates the continued referrals.
- Ethnic Mosaic Alliance S. Sarin
 Lee: The EMA is reviewing seven municipal expressions of interest to donate land for a multicultural centre. The EMA is currently submitting funding applications for community projects.
- c. Simcoe County Library Cooperative G. Hall
 - Libraries are open with limited hours and limits on the number of patron allowed in. There is no in-person programing at this time.
 - A Collingwood staff member is taking the Train the Trainer program for Cultural Competency and expects to provide Cultural Competency training to staff in the spring. Libraries will be supporting the #ITSTARTS campaign in March.
- d. Lakehead University- K. Fraser

The University continues to accept students and has a quarantine plan in place (SMDHU provides oversite); however, very few students are coming into Orillia.

- e. Barrie Public Library A. Schroeder
 - The library has limited hours with some bookable seating to provide a place to study/work.
 - Some virtual programing is taking place including a Virtual English Conversation Circle.
 - HR Manager is receiving Train the Trainer Cultural Competency and will provide Cultural Competency training to their staff
 - Information Barrie developed a resource page for COVID that is updated constantly and available on their website.



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f. CMHA Y/SS – J. Maranan
 They are accepting referrals and there are currently no wait lists.

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Next Meeting - Wednesday February 3, 2021 9:30 am to 11:30 am via Microsoft Teams

Adjourned: 10:45 am

Educational Inclusions

1. Distribution of COVID-19 Related Risks

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2. Canadian Diversity, Vol. 17, No. 3

