

Yellowknife Regional Wellness Council (RWC) Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, November 3, 2021

4:30 PM – 7:00PM

Location: Goga Cho, 2nd Floor Boardroom (4916 47 Street)

Teleconference: 1 647 556 5305 | Code: 13371256#

Video: <https://my.telemerge.ca/meet/13371256>

Mission: Working with people to optimize wellbeing through the provision of collaborative and culturally appropriate health and social service

Vision: Healthy People, Healthy Families, Healthy Communities

Values: Collaboration Accountability Integrity Respect

Cultural safety: An outcome where Indigenous peoples feel safe and respected, free of racism and discrimination, when accessing health and social services.

Acknowledgment of Land: We acknowledge that we are in the Chief Drygeese territory.

From time immemorial, it has been the traditional land of the Yellowknives Dene First Nation, and more recently, the homeland of the North Slave Métis.

We respect the histories, languages, and cultures of First Nations, Metis, Inuit, and all First Peoples of Canada, whose presence continues to enrich our vibrant community.

Members:

X	Nancy Trotter , Chair	X	Brandie Miersch (via phone)
X	Lorie-Anne Danielson , COO	X	Katey Davis
X	Cynthia Jewell , ES – Minutes	X	Gilbert Langsi (via phone)
X	Elizabeth Liske	X	Gloria Enzoe
X	Marie Speakman	x	Nancy Cymbalisky

Guests:

X **Nathalie Nadeau**, Executive Director, CFCW
 x **Kim Riles**, CEO, NTHSSA (via phone)
 X **Allen Stanzell** (via phone)

#	Item	Time	Responsibility
1.0	Call to Order Meeting called to order at 4:38	4:38	Chairperson
2.0	Reflection/Prayer Opening Prayer was led by Marie	4:39	Member

3.0	Welcome & Introductions Nancy welcomed everyone to the meeting including guest speaker Nathalie Nadeau, CEO Kim Riles and Gloria Enzo to her first in person meeting.	4:40	Chairperson
	3.1 Acknowledgement of traditional territory		Chairperson
	3.2 Safety Overview		COO
4.0	Guest Speaker		
	<p>4.1 Nathalie Nadeau – Executive Director, Child and Family Services & Community Wellness.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oversee all staff for CFS and Family Prevention. • Focus of the discussion: Prevention and Preservation Services (see attached presentation) • Participation is voluntary in Prevention and preservation activities <p>Family Preservation: 3-year funding available to recruit 8 new positions. 11 positions in total. Recruiting Health Family employee in Ft. Res, Ft. Smith, and Lutsel’Ke. Looking for local indigenous representation.</p> <p>Healthy Family Program: is a strength-based program. Build plan around individual families.</p> <p>Questions and Answers:</p> <p>1. Q: How can we get families into these programs? A: This has been a struggle we have tried a lot of different ways to encourage participation. We do more activity based, open to parent and pay childcare. We have seen lots of success. Employee for Health Family & Family preservation will come from the community so hopefully this will help them to feel comfortable participating.</p> <p>2. Q: It is exciting to hear about these programs in smaller communities. How would parents find out about this program? How accessible is this program? A: In Yellowknife the program has been running for a few years. There is a long waiting list. If you’re a new mom nurses and doctors know about this program and can refer the family. Also other community support people will know about the program.</p> <p>3. Q: My community currently offers a similar program, will the NTHSSA be competing? A: There are a lot of other organizations and we are focussed on collaborating with them. Our focus is on supporting families and working with community resources.</p> <p>4. Q: From a client’s perspective, this feels like a government led program. A: Last presentation around the federal legislation looking at indigenous government / organization advocating health</p>	4:45	Executive Director, Child, Family Services and Community Wellness (CFCW) Nathalie Nadeau

	<p>family worker in all communities.</p> <p>5. Q: YKDFN is looking at CHR would they consider getting a Healthy family worker? A: Unfortunately, we are not funded for a HFW in Ndilq and Dettah so we would be unable to support.</p> <p>6. Q: Are there full-time funds for HFW and funding for land-based programs? A: Yes</p> <p>7. Q: When will the program be implemented A: I have signed off on the posting so we are actively recruiting specifically P1 candidates.</p> <p>8. Q: Is this position ongoing and full time? A: Yes</p> <p>9. Q: Will we have a social worker in the community along with this program? A: Yes</p> <p>10. Q: will this program provide workshops to young families? A: Yes</p> <p>11. Q: Will there be funding for land-based training? A: Yes</p> <p>12. Q: Could we recruit someone like a grade 12 student? A: Yes</p> <p>Comment: There are language barriers in our young people, would suggest the NTHSSA hire fluent indigenous language candidates.</p>		
5.0	Agenda and Minutes		
	<p>5.1 Previous Meeting Minutes – Review and Approval</p> <p>1. June 16, 2021: Moved to adopt: Katey Seconded: Elizabeth Approved.</p> <p>2. Sept 15, 2021: planning notes only. All agreed.</p>	5:55	Chairperson
	<p>5.2 Approval of Agenda</p> <p>Motion to approve: Elizabeth with addition of Code of Conduct under 7.0 New Business Second: Gilbert Approved.</p>	5:58	Chairperson
	<p>5.3 Declaration of Conflict of Interest</p> <p>No conflicts were declared</p>	6:00	All
6.0	Business Arising		
	<p>6.1 Covid Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yellowknife Region 30 active cases, 990 total cases. Outside Lutsel'Ke and Fort Res no active cases. • Lutsel'Ke 77% fully vaccinated, 86% partially vaccinated, & 14% not vaccinated • Fort Resolution 77% fully vaccinated, 83% partially vaccinated % 17% unvaccinated. • Dettah/Ndilq- covid clinics and flu clinic twice in last two weeks – very well attended. 	6:03	COO

	<p>Q: Is there an update for children 5 and over getting vaccinated? A: Currently waiting for Health Canada approval. We are a couple of weeks behind the USA.</p> <p>Q: On the Website it states that Fort Resolution had 11 cases. This looks wrong. Is this correct? Kim Riles confirmed with Dr. Kandola that this was an error and it will be rectified.</p> <p>Q: The band in Lutsel K'e hired a COVID worker. He mentioned that they want some training to address covid and how to approach people. We also have a transportation issue in Lutsel'Ke where elders or anyone from airport are transported in the BACK of a pickup. A: Lorie-Anne to follow up with Band and MACA.</p>		
	<p>6.2 RWC Activity Plan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tried to incorporate suggestions from Sept meeting in plan. • Because of COVID, October meeting was cancelled. November meeting is now in December. 	6:10	Chairperson
	<p>6.3 Community Health Representative (CHR) Update – Ndilq and Dettah</p> <p>The Chair took the suggestion of creating a CHR position for Ndilq and Dettah to the Leadership Council (LC) meeting in June 2021, see LC meeting summary and clarified it is an operational issue on which the RWC can only make a suggestion.</p>	6:20	Chairperson
7.0	New Business		
	<p>7.1 Code of Conduct</p> <p>All members review Page 13 of the RWC Handbook "The Code of Conduct" before the next meeting and be prepared to sign off on it.</p>	6:25	Chairperson
8.0	Old Business		
	<p>8.1 Dettah/Ndilq CHR</p> <p>See 6.3</p>		Chairperson
9.0	<p>Chairperson Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See report attached. • Next Leadership council meeting Dec 1 & 2 and RWC meeting on Dec 1. Chair will attend both 	6:30	Chairperson
10.0	<p>COO Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See report attached. • There was an error in the calculation found in the RWC honorarium form. New form updated. Lorie-Anne to confirm September honorariums. <p>1. Q: when will the downtown lab open? A: Kim Riles will follow up</p> <p>2. Q: How do you think it is going with the Child and Youth Community Counsellors CYCC's</p>	6:40	COO

	A: it is going very well, several examples identified.		
11.0	<p>Roundtable Updates – Community activities, questions and concerns.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Request for more flu clinics in Ndilo and Dettah Observed addition nurses in Lutsel K'e / Thank you Phones need to be fixed in Primary Care – new system being implemented <p>1. Q: Any updates to the opening of the day shelter? A: work occurring in October at the old visitor centre – To open in late November.</p>	6:55	Chairperson
12.0	<p>RWC Report to Leadership council – items to take forward to the Leadership Council</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> We would like to pass on a thank you to all NTHSSA staff for all their hard work. 	7:00	Chairperson
13.0	<p>Closing Reflection / Prayer Closing Prayer was led by Gloria</p>	7:02	Member
14.0	<p>Motion to Adjourn Motion to adjourn Move: Liz Second: Katey All in Favor</p>	7:03	Chairperson

Next Meeting – December 1, 2021