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|  | **Name of Meeting:** C4F Monthly Meeting  **Date:** September 22, 2021  **Time:** 1:30 p.m.  **Location:** Zoom  **Attendees:** Amna Burki, Emma Fineblit, Genny Funk-Unrau, Gabriela Galli, Melinda Pascual,Ingrid Peters Derry, Mary Robinson, Cathy Seitz, Fatuma Sufi  **Regrets**: Megan Brisco, Carmen Court,Monica Dinney,Gerri Gregory, Tamara Opar, Anne Sikora, Jess Smith, Kelly Speak  **Chair:** Emma Fineblit  **Minutes:** Ingrid Peters Derry |

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| **Agenda Item** | **Discussion** | **Action** |
| 1. **Welcome and Land Acknowledgement**   **Chair** |  |  |
| 1. **Consent Agenda**  * **Approval of Agenda** * **Approval of Minutes of June 16, 2021** | All approved. |  |
| 1. **Financial Update**   **Genny** | Motion to approve the revised budget by Genny Funk-Unrau. All approved.  Our first quarterly payment from the Province was in by the end of July. Genny is checking on the status of this. Rent has now been paid. Grant payments have gone out recently. |  |
| 1. **Staff and Committee Reports and Plans** | * 1. Executive Committee   + Transition Committee – looking to the future of the Coalition   + Staff hiring – two positions have been posted   + Supporting staff as Corrie is away   1. Literacy Committee   + Gentle Heroes – a storytelling project for dads. Ingrid will be seeking funding from Literacy for Life to develop a workshop. There would be a 3-part workshop presented 3 times between November and March. Additional information that could be added to a parenting program, WGM, 3 Stars and a Wish.   + The Literacy committee hasn’t really been active recently. Members are welcome to join the Resource Committee at this time.   1. Resource Committee   + Emma was the chairperson and will be stepping down from this committee.   + The committee is looking for new members. The next meeting will be on **Monday, September 27 @ 10 am**.   1. Staff updates   + August training was cancelled due to Katherine leaving   + Lifesaving/Drowning Prevention workshop for Families was presented   + [Shoe Project](https://www.dropbox.com/s/vav5g9xr3hijwcw/C4F%20Shoe%20Project%20poster.pdf?dl=0) information session – **Monday, September 27 @ 1:00 pm.** This is a storytelling project for newcomer/refugee women to share their journey with others.   + Amna is developing a PowerPoint to share with other organizations the different workshops and trainings we can offer   + Job Postings – [Mentor/trainer](https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fi/e5hnlijq9pbmeutx6zwqk/Mentor-job-C4F.docx?dl=0&rlkey=o8g4m0ye5jkhl3voqvywii2i6) to assist in trainings and workshops. [Outdoor Play facilitator](https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fi/0szq7e1sabw8abug038c8/Outdoor-play-job.docx?dl=0&rlkey=lsizci1wpy831imbonda9rni1) to share ideas for outdoor play programs. These are each 10 hours/week but could be combined if someone is interested in both. Someone of indigenous background especially for the Outdoor Play position would be ideal. Deadline is Sept. 27.   + WGM training is scheduled twice in December (via Zoom). It could be offered in person for Mosaic FEMs if public health orders and physical space allows. | Members are welcome to join to help brainstorm for this project.  Others are welcome to come. If you are interested, email [Amna](mailto:Training@communities4families.ca) for the link to the meeting.  Amna will send a Zoom link for the session if you wish to join.  Please share postings. |
| 1. **Ad Hoc Transition Committee** | * This committee will be meeting in October to focus on our future vision. They will be looking for feedback from Coalition members as they move forward. * This will be the last year for PC Coalitions in their current format. Our past strategic plan highlighted the need for continued networking and continuing our trainings. Do we continue networking? Fewer people are coming to meetings, should we meet less often? * Broadening our scope – who do we want to be? We could have a City or Province-wide presence. It would be nice to have connections around the City, to broaden our networking. Zoom also allows us to reach a broader audience. * We played an important role during the pandemic, connecting people and providing support for learning to use Zoom in programming. * Value of play – WGM, Outdoor Play have been very important to downtown agencies and their families. |  |
| 1. **Networking, Emerging Issues, and/or Announcements** | Library   * Programs are mostly online   Wolseley Family Place   * Sept. 30 National Day for Truth and Reconciliation – Centre will be open. Sharing children’s books by indigenous authors, art * Open House – Oct. 22. Focus on outreach, bringing families back to the Centre * Nobody’s Perfect – Oct. 26 in person   Mosaic   * Programs are starting in person. Participants must be vaccinated. * Knox Family Resource Centre – for Mosaic students, but also open to the community (fully vaccinated) * Literacy life skills: taking the bus, grocery shopping. Family-centred program. Learning through play. * WGM for dads – a pilot funded by C4F * Parenting programs in person for those that are vaccinated * Nobody’s Perfect and Positive Discipline for Everyday Parenting – online * English classes in person * Vaccination clinic * Mental health support for families (group and one on one meetings) – accepting referrals. Online or in person.   IRCOM   * Parenting programs – NP, PDEP – in person starting today   Villa Rosa   * Back to full programming – with masks, etc.   C4F   * [Shoe Project](https://www.dropbox.com/s/vav5g9xr3hijwcw/C4F%20Shoe%20Project%20poster.pdf?dl=0)   In our community capacity building role would like to invite you to an opportunity to learn more about the Shoe Project. The Shoe Project just celebrated its 10th year anniversary of supporting newcomer and refugee women to share their stories with the rest of Canadians. This organization has professional writers and voice coaches that mentor immigrant and refugee women share their journey on stage with Canadians. Here some more information from their website.  *Thousands of women came and others on their way to Canada. Because they are already leaving their country, professions and dreams behind in the wake of the Taliban takeover of Afghanistan. The Shoe Project will be ready with translation, trauma-informed support, ESL training and workshops across Canada. We can do this. Help our members—themselves once refugees from Syria, Eritrea, and other war-torn countries—help others IN THEIR SHOES.*  *Our Story*  *The Shoe Project reveals how footwear – whether selected by choice or imposed in difficult circumstances – can make or break a journey, shape the present and open the door to a new future. Shoes can be terrible or wonderful, but one thing is certain, every new Canadian has a shoe tale to tell.*  *For those who have embarked on the long journey to a new life in a new country, shoes are a powerful metaphor for their journey.*  Learn more about this organization and how you can bring it to Winnipeg by joining us on **Monday the 27th of September at 1:00 pm**. | Register by emailing [training@communities4families.ca](mailto:training@communities4families.ca) for a Zoom link. |
| 1. **Next Meeting** | **Wednesday, October 20 @ 1:30 pm** |  |