



QAPPD Members meeting

Notes

Date: Wednesday October 25th, 2023

Time: 8:30- 9:00 – networking & 9:00 meeting starts

Location: [Le Challenger](#) 2525 Rue des Nations, Saint-Laurent, QC H4R 3C8 Phone : (514) 337-7160

Notes

1. Ometz

Company reps – Creative dramatic art therapist and ... shared their services and how their program works for support with special needs in speech and occupational therapy. They can help with the meetings with parents, support with the children who have special needs, educators and trainings.

2. Hallie

Gave a reminder to sign up for events, meetings – important to meet deadlines so that the Board can communicate with the venue the needs for chairs, tables, lunch. We can also ensure that we have enough material available for all members for special discussions, presentations.

3. Additions and approval of agenda

4. MF news and updates

- a. **La place 0-5 ans:** nothing will be changed until January 2024
- b. **ServiPlus:** One of our members had their Center be evaluated by Serviplus. She had received the call on a Monday and the appointment was made for the following Tuesday. The evaluation was done on all the age groups including younger groups, they selected the educators to observe and interview. The groups must be at 50% for the observation to be done. Arrived 8:45-11:45, needed to organize for replacements for them to conduct the interviews with the children. Results and report of results vary from 8 weeks or more. It is sent to the MF first and then to the Center.
- c. **Handicap file and Mesure exceptionnelle:** On October 18th the updated the integration of a child with a special need. The document attached with the email includes the updates. One of the updates is that - they have removed the term "handicap child" from the form.
- d. **MF permit changes:** Applications are open with the MF to change your age group eligibility to change 18+ months to infants.

5. Review of past events

- a. Sept afternoon workshop, Educator's fall workshop, Board orientation: feedback was great.
- b. **Martin Liberio:** educators really enjoyed the workshop, Martin will be invited to return to the Spring conference to cover another topic
- c. **Board orientation:** Maddie was very good, however the Board realized that the workshop should be longer to cover more topics in detail for parent members and Directors.

- d. **JTR Coaching** – Staff evaluations coming up. There is enough interest so it is confirmed that the workshop will be on November 15th.
- e. **The calendar of events** was updated and when changes are made they will be sent when invites are sent for the following meeting.
- f. **Membership list:** will be sent out for all to update their contacts and email addresses.

6. Upcoming events – November ZOOM meeting SST

- a. Santé et sécurité au travail – November workshop – roundtable learning opportunity

7. Comment ça va, round table support discussions

8. Varia

- a. **Lorrie surveys** – asked how members would be more receptive to answering surveys. Questions were asked right away and members shared their info regarding personal days.
- b. **QAPPD Facebook – Dana Sealy** will be starting up a private QAPPD group where we can all chip in and share resources, etc.
- c. **Activities – Mary** – asked if everyone can share name and contact information of different activities.
 - o Mad Science, Reptizoo, Zumba, Yoga, Drumming, Farm, Animation Clin d’Oeil - starting kindergarten, trained educators to be certified yoga instructors, gym action, sports ball, Music – Lala Lesley, La ferme Quinchein, Funky feet, La Vallée, Firestation-firefighters community, Brain gym, Donna Stewart, Mackay Center training to become a certified - American Sign Language, Jemba – drumming and music, Firetruck – Andrew 514-923-7515, Honey making, Fisherman, basket weaving, walks in a forest, urban seedling, Eco-quartier for sustainability, Apple store for lessons downtown, McCord museum, CPE Durable, Local nurseries or Rona, Rona St-Laurent does activities with children, outdoor play – Cardio plein air, M Pappillion- raise butterflies.
- d. **Karen - Rental of your space, does anyone rent out space?**
 - o Contact Lorrie Montpetit for more information she can give you some details.
- e. **Board would like to know what you need and how we can support you, we can research for you..**
 - o **Sylvie: would like some support to prepare her strategic plan** – how to create smart goals, prepare your budget for your Board. Hallie and other members shared and went on to give some insight and tips.
 - o **Bookeeping, Budgets, Gestionnaire:** a budget can be prepared in Gestionnaire, numbers fluctuate every year, discussion and experience was shared about preparing preliminary budgets preparing for our Board.
 - o **Dana: asked if there could be support for applying PFI** – renovations, applications with MF.
 - o **Staff appreciation:** holiday gifts, bonuses, dinners, special notes, visa gift certificates, parent participation, ask parents to write notes to educators,

karaoke party, candid shots with the children and educators shared with community, breakfast every second month, holiday supper, social committee – contributes 3\$ from their paycheque to go to gift cards.

- **Nancy:** Renting/lease approvals that are more than 50k you must ask MF for approvals. This is something she recently was asked by MF. Always best to verify with MF.

f. Lunch 12-1pm

9. Afternoon workshop presented by Hallie from 1:00-4:00pm