



**Regular In-Person Meeting  
May 4 & 5, 2019**

**Members present:** Joanne Britton, Jody Dallaire (co-chair), Nelly Dennene, Darlene Doiron (arrived midmorning on May 4<sup>th</sup>), Amanda LeBlanc, Mayme Lefurgey (via teleconference), Martine Marchand (only May 4<sup>th</sup>), Myriam Mekni, Patricia Morris, Michèle Nadeau, Madeleine Nickerson, Jennifer Richard (co-chair), Noëlla Richard and Constance Sewell.

**Members absent:** Louisa K. Seales

**Ex-Officio members present:** Beth Lyons (Executive Director), Jocelyne Mills (Assistant Deputy Minister, Women's Equality)

**Guest:** Honourable Sherry Wilson (Minister responsible for Women's Equality), Charles Doucet (Executive Assistant to Minister Wilson), Jean-Claude Basque (Common Front for Social Justice), and Debbie McInnis (United Way of Greater Moncton and Southeastern New Brunswick)

**Staff present:** Jennifer Dickison, Linda Landry-Guimond (Recording Secretary), Melissa Wah

**Next meeting:** October 5 & 6, 2019

**AGENDA**

- 1. Welcome / opening round**
- 2. Addition to and adoption of agenda**
- 3. Items for discussion / decision**
  - 3.1 Member updates
  - 3.2 Executive director's report
  - 3.3 Current political context (in camera)
  - 3.4 Meeting with Minister Wilson
  - 3.5 Review of 2018-2019 (except finance)
  - 3.6 2019-2020 annual plan
  - 3.7 Presentation from the Common Front for Social Justice
  - 3.8 Finance
    - 3.8.1 2018-2019 spending
    - 3.8.2 2019-2020 budget
  - 3.9 Presentation from the United Way
  - 3.10 Member self-evaluation
- 4. Other business**
- 5. Closing**



## MEETING

### 1. Welcome / Opening round

- J. Richard welcomed members and led an opening round.

### 2. Addition to and adoption of agenda

- **Consensus** to adopt the agenda with the addition of selecting a primarily English-speaking co-chair under other business.

### 3. Items for discussion / decision

#### 3.1 Member updates

- Members had an opportunity to ask questions and provide additional information on updates they shared in advance of the meeting.

#### 3.2 Executive director's report

- B. Lyons provided a summary of work accomplished since February 2, 2019 and members had an opportunity to ask questions.

#### 3.3 Current political context (in camera)

#### 3.4 Meeting with the Honourable Sherry Wilson, minister responsible for Women's Equality

- Minister Wilson addressed the membership and both her and C. Doucet answered questions.

#### 3.5 Review of 2018-2019 (except finance)

- B. Lyons reviewed the delivery of the 2018-2019 annual plan as well as progress on the outcomes associated with the strategic directions and compliance with the operating standards. Members had an opportunity to ask questions.

#### 3.6 2019-2020 plan

- B. Lyons reviewed proposed 2019-2020 plan and members had an opportunity to discuss and ask questions. **Consensus** reached to adopt the plan with the understanding that staff will make a strategic assessment in what resources to dedicate to providing advice on engaging all genders in ending gender-based violence based on capacity and the findings of Resonate.
- **Consensus** for the council to engage in work on visioning long term gender equality transformation (i.e. envisioning what the future the council is working toward looks like in more detail and with significant structural/institutional changes in a living document). **Action item:** Issues committee to begin work to prepare for this as a discussion at the council's next meeting.



### 3.7 Presentation on poverty

- Presentation given by Jean-Claude Basque, provincial coordinator for the Common Front for Social Justice.

### 3.8 Finance

#### 3.8.1 2018-2019 spending

- B. Lyons presented 2018-2019 spending (not the final version for the full fiscal year) and members had an opportunity to ask questions. J. Richard asked if web conferencing could be an option in order to facilitate meetings. B. Lyons mentioned that money could be set aside for that but would have to consider if interpretation could be done.

#### 3.8.2 2019-2020 budget

- B. Lyons presented the proposed 2019-2020 budget. Members had an opportunity to discuss and ask questions. **Consensus** reached to adopt the proposed budget.

### 3.9 Presentation on collective impact

- Presentation given by Debbie McInnis, executive director of the United Way of Greater Moncton and Southeastern New Brunswick.

### 3.10 Member self-evaluation

- B. Lyons reviewed responses received and offered comparisons to the previous year's evaluations. Members discussed.

## 4. Other business

- **Consensus** reached on J. Richard serving as co-chair until spring 2021 (with recognition that this means that the Fredericton Sexual Assault Centre would serve as a member despite the expiry of its term until the first call for membership after her co-chairing term ends – anticipated to be in 2022). J. Richard did not participate in this portion of the meeting.
- M. Nickerson, P. Morris and M. Lefurgey joined the Issues Committee and M. Mekni joined the Governance Committee.
- **Action item:** B. Lyons to arrange for next council conference call to have a video option.
- **Action item:** M. Wah to begin including members in the circulation of daily media digests.

## 5. Closing Round

- J. Richard led a closing round.

Meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m. on May 5, 2019.

**Distributed to members for review on September 20, 2019 with September 30, 2019 as the deadline for feedback. On October 1st, members were informed that no changes were**

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**requested and the minutes are considered adopted.**