



**Regular In-Person Meeting  
November 8 and 9, 2017**

**Members present:** Lyne Chantal Boudreau, Joanne Britton, Jody Dallaire (co-chair), Jewell Mitchell (co-chair), Madeleine Nickerson, Jennifer Richard, Noëlla Richard, Paulette Sonier Rioux, Constance Sewell (Nov. 8 only), Madhu Verma, Phylomène Zangio

**Members absent:** Rina Arseneault, Line Doiron

**Ex-Officio members present:** Beth Lyons (Executive Director)

**Ex-Officio members absent:** Jocelyne Mills (ADM – Women's Equality)

**Guests present:** Barb Martin

**Staff present:** Linda Landry-Guimond (Recording Secretary), Erin Whitmore, Brit Mockler

**Next meeting:** March 24 & 25, 2018

**AGENDA**

- 1. Welcome / opening round**
- 2. Adoption of agenda**
- 3. Items for discussion / decision**
  - 3.1 Executive Director's report
  - 3.2 Resonate
  - 3.3 Meeting with the Premier
  - 3.4 Finance
  - 3.5 Presentation on Reconciliation
- 4. Member Updates**
- 5. Other**
- 6. Closing**

**MEETING**

- 1. Welcome/opening round**
  - The co-chairs welcomed members and led an opening round.
- 2. Adoption of agenda**
  - Consensus to adopt agenda with possibility of Member Updates taking place November 9 at the council's Resonate event if required by time constraints.



### 3. Items for discussion / decision

#### ○ 3.1 Executive Director's report

- B. Lyons provided a summary of work accomplished and ongoing since April 2017 and answered questions.

#### ○ 3.2 Resonate

- B. Lyons provided information and answered questions on the public engagement initiative Resonate, including the event to be held the next day.

#### ○ 3.3 Meeting with the Premier

- Consensus reached on what items to discuss with the Premier and Minister responsible for Women's Equality, including the Resonate initiative, Reconciliation, and midwifery.

#### ○ 3.4 Finance

- B. Lyons provided a report and answered questions on spending for 2016-2017 year, spending to date for the 2017-2018 year, and requested changes to various 2016-2017 budget line items. B. Lyons reported that the budget request submitted for 2018-2019 was for \$421 500 in accordance with planned staff wage increases and certain IT/infrastructure costs no longer being billed directly to the council and answered questions. Consensus to adopt the revised 2017-2018 budget.

#### ○ 3.5 Presentation on Reconciliation

- B. Martin presented on Reconciliation and the work that the council could do to support this movement. C. Sewell offered follow up commentary and a discussion ensued.

### 4. Member Updates

- M. Nickerson provided updates on the hiring of midwives
- J. Richard reported that calls to the Fredericton Sexual Assault Centre's support line have tripled in last year and that many involve cases of complex trauma. J. Richard stated there are challenges with volunteer burn out and a lack of funding, which is presenting across the country as well as at the centre.
- L.C. Boudreau reported that the Regroupement féministe du Nouveau-Brunswick is presently working on education on consent for children in school and, in particular, how to better equip nurses to discuss consent with children.

### 5. Other

- Members attended a meeting with the Premier and Minister responsible for Women's Equality.
- Members attended a public engagement event for the council's Resonate initiative.

### 6. Closing

Meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m on November 9<sup>th</sup>.

**Distributed to members for review on February 14, 2018.**

**Adopted (i.e. members notified that no changes were requested): February 22, 2018.**