

Advisory Committee on Accessibility

April 17, 2019

Ontario Room

5:00 PM

Attendance:

Barry Martin, Chair, Robert Hunn, Vice-Chair, Laura Meffren, Brian Lynch, George George, Valerie Kitazaki, Meenu Khanan, Kaushi Rangunathan, Elaine Vollett, Anna Giallonardo, Rita Lam, Nahid Verma, Jewell Lofsky, Cheryl McConney-Wilson, Diversity Specialist, Laura Gold, Council/Committee Coordinator, and Grace Lombardi, Legislative Coordinator

Item	Discussion	Action
1. Call to Order	The Advisory Committee on Accessibility convened at 5:03 pm with Barry Martin presiding, as Chair.	
2. Orientation	Committee welcomed the new Members. Each Member of the Committee briefly introduced themselves. A video was displayed on accessibility and York Region. The Committee will continue with its orientation at its next meeting.	
3. Children's Network Presentation	Christina Co from the Children's Network was in attendance to provide a presentation on the services they provide. Members provided the following feedback: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Suggested there is a lack of programs for adults with a disability (most of the existing programs focus on youth or seniors);• Suggested coffee chats should be held on different days and times so that more people can participate.	
4. Business Plan	Committee reviewed the draft business plan and was asked to think about which items it would like to focus on in 2019 and beyond. Committee agreed to continue its review of the business plan at its next meeting.	Continue review of the Committee's Business Plan at the next meeting – Committee
5. Accessibility Award	Committee was advised that the Accessibility Award Form has been updated. The video of the Mayor promoting the award will be re-used, as it does not reference any dates. The website will be updated prior to the next meeting.	

Item	Discussion	Action
	<p>The Committee was encouraged to think about businesses, and individuals to nominate for the award.</p> <p>The winners will be awarded in the fall at the Community Recognition Night.</p>	
6. New Business	<p><u>Agenda Format</u> There was a brief discussion on the agenda and minute format. On a go forward basis the agenda and minutes will be circulated in their regular format and also in a larger font for accessibility purposes.</p> <p><u>March of Dimes</u> Committee discussed the possibility of having the March of Dimes come speak at a future meeting.</p>	Circulate agenda and minutes in their regular format and in a larger font – Laura Gold and Grace Lombardi
7. Adjournment	The Advisory Committee on Accessibility adjourned at 7:00 pm.	