

Region of Waterloo

Employment & Income Support Community Advisory Committee Annual Report 2016

Our Mandate

The Employment & Income Support Community Advisory Committee (EISCAC) provides a forum for stakeholders to offer advice on the programs and services delivered by the Employment and Income Support (EIS) division of Region of Waterloo Community Services. Stakeholders such as Ontario Works/ Ontario Disability Support Program participants, community agencies and partners, funders, business representatives, and Regional staff are members of the EISCAC.

The goal of the EISCAC is to provide advice on potential improvements to the services provided by Employment & Income Support to those residents of Waterloo Region who use these services. The EISCAC meets six times per year. Meetings are a combination of consultation, information and updates, discussion, and advocacy

Our Members

The EISCAC currently has 27 members, representing a wide range of sectors and stakeholders in the community.

Committee members include:

Jane Mitchell	Chair (Regional Councillor)
Melissa Webster	Vice-Chair (Participant Member)
Fred Bond	Participant Member
Joanne Bond	Participant Member
Ellen Cober	Participant Member
Erma Friesen	Participant Member
Birgit Lingenberg	Participant Member
Alex Troeger	Participant Member
Sandy Dietrich-Bell	Emergency Shelter Services
Sarah Hostetler	ODSP Representative
Lee Ann Hundt	Aboriginal Services
Jeri-Lou Nowak	Education Representative
Dianne McLeod	Community Placement Support
Sally Michener Potts	Mental Health Representative
Lil-Marie Myers	Multicultural Services
Karen Morgan-Bowyer	Education Representative
Jane Tuer	Literacy Services Representative
Sommer-Anne Duhn	Funder Representative
Carolyn Schoenfeldt	Funder Representative
Jake Frandsen	Labour Council Representative
Art Sinclair	Business Representative
Sue Collison	Employment Services
Sherri McDermid	Employment Services
Carol Simpson	Labour Market rep (non-voting)
Jennifer Fenton	CUPE 1883 rep (non-voting)
Tim Brubacher	Committee Clerk (non-voting)
Nina Bailey-Dick	Social Planner (non-voting)



2016 Meeting Highlights

2016 was a quieter year for EISCAC. The Committee only met four times as the June meeting was cancelled so members could attend the 11th Poverty Symposium – Turning It Upside Down. The Committee continued to provide input into the programs and services of Employment and Income Support and beyond. This

year the Committee also provided feedback on Housing's Emergency Shelter Program Framework, the Children Services' expansion of the Ontario Early Years Child and Family Centres, and the Region-funded Emergency Food Hamper Program.



Photo (above): Members of the Employment & Income Support Community Advisory Committee, December 2015.

Questions?

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