

South Lanarkshire Self-Directed Support Network

Tuesday 12th November 2013

12.30 pm to 15.00 pm

Training Suite, Newberry Rooney Centre, 100 New Park Road, Hamilton, ML3 0BN

Present: Andrew Kousourou (Chair), John Dykes (Vice-chair), Kevin McGoldrick (Secretary), Suban McGoldrick, Gerald Pocock, Cathy Smith, Terry McQuade, Helen Clark (Speak-Out)

Apologies: Scott Nicol (Treasurer), Wilma Pocock, Morag MacKay

In Attendance: Rachel Walker (Self Directed Support Scotland)

ITEM		ACTION
1.	Chairman welcomed all at meeting	
2.	Chair proposed Morag Mackay to join Management Committee and Secretary seconded. This was approved.	
3.	Apologies - Apologies were noted as above	
4.	Minutes of the Previous Meeting Minutes of the meeting were read and approved by Chair, seconded by Vice-chair. The minutes were signed as approved by the Chairman and Secretary.	
5.	Matters Arising from minutes Terry read the following on behalf of Cathy with Chair reply in Bold Why was the letter to Pat McCormack on withdrawal of facilitator not circulated to all Management Committee? Chair circulated an email informing management committee prior to being sent. Elaborate on the funding awarded. An full discussion of fund award and future applications were agreed on 8th October 2013 When did the sub-groups start making decisions? The sub-groups were discussed and agreed on 8th October 2013 to meet, source opportunities, carry out any ground work and bring results to management committee for approval. Cathy and Terry would like to be kept informed with all funding applications All Management Committee members are welcome to attend the sub-group meetings Why was it minuted that Karen Frame was disrespectful. The network was surprised and dismayed with Karen's contribution during Network development day including feedback from others. The minute reflected the feeling of the meeting, however, it was agreed after further discussion to remove the 1st sentence from the 8th October 2013 minutes Item.11 One person cannot rewrite the constitution. The rewrite of the constitution will be discussed by whole Management Committee, but only 1 person shall draft for final review prior to submitting said to the membership and to OSCR	

6.	<p>Correspondence Read and Discussed</p> <p>Event – SDSS Members Event and AGM 22nd October was inspiring</p> <p>Event – SLCN Carers Consultation 23rd October SDS is number 13 on Carers Rights</p> <p>Invitation – SLC SDS Framework on 29th October was interesting</p> <p>Invitation – ICCAN Information Day 7th November was a success with 18 enquiries</p> <p>Invitation - SDSS are having a communication messages meeting on 2nd December at Norton House, Edinburgh</p> <p>Invitation - Scottish Social Services Council are hosting an SDS Workforce Event on Tuesday 10th December 2013 – unfortunately this is the same day as our December meeting</p> <p>Scottish Government ILF Consultation outcome it was recognised that the money would no longer be ring-fenced and would be subject to normal budget cuts</p> <p>Network has 2 new members</p> <p>All events and invitations are emailed, it would be nice to see new faces attending future events</p>	
7.	<p>Matters Arising from Correspondence</p> <p>John has had no reply to date from letter sent to Council leader Eddie McAvoy 8th October 2013 regarding equal pay as South Lanarkshire Council has given their own in-house care workers a 19½ % pay rise, while personal assistants have not received a pay rise since 2008</p> <p>If need be Cathy offered to hand deliver letter to South Lanarkshire Council, ask for a receipt and South Lanarkshire Council will have to reply</p>	
8.	<p>Financial Statement</p> <p>Secretary verbally confirmed network's current bank balance from 1st November 2013 bank statement.</p>	
9.	<p>Funding Sub-group</p> <p>Rachel read out the draft funding letter which was agreed by the management committee and send to various organisations requesting funding.</p> <p>Other funding applications were discussed and approved for action Facilitation Fund – strength disabled people Enterprise Ready – marketing, training and equipment SLC Funding – PO box</p>	
10.	<p>Strategy Sub-group</p> <p>The proposed strategy plan for 2014 was agreed – proposed by Gerald and seconded by Cathy</p>	
11.	<p>Road Show</p> <p>The Road Show was discussed and agreed – proposed by John (Vice-chair) and seconded by Cathy. Topics discussed were – Planning, Advertising, training in public speaking and Expenses for 6 – 8 locations. Cathy suggested a representative from S. Lanarkshire Council could be present.</p>	

12.	<p>Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisations (SCIOs)</p> <p>SCIO was discussed and it was suggested that the 4 office bearers could become the trustees. Network would have to inform OSCR 42 days in advance of change and submit application within 3 months</p> <p>It was agreed to source more information on SCIO before agreeing to conversion.</p>	
13.	<p>AOB</p> <p>6 weekly meeting dates for 2014 was proposed by John and seconded by Gerald</p> <p>John suggested Rachel Walker be co-opted to the management committee</p> <p>As Jackie Orr has never submitted an apology she should be removed from the management committee</p> <p>Cathy requested proxy voting at meetings. This was rejected by the committee.</p>	
16	<p>Date and Time of Next Meeting</p> <p>Next meeting will be Tuesday 10th December 2013 at 12.30 pm in the Newberry Rooney Centre, 100 New Park Road, Hamilton, ML3 0BN.</p>	
17	<p>Close of Meeting</p> <p>The meeting closed at 15.00</p>	

Kevin McGoldrick
Secretary

Chairman Secretary