

Minutes
CAOT-BC Advisory Committee Meeting
February 5, 2018: 400pm-530pm (Pacific)

Attendance: Laura Bulk (Chair), Emma Smith (Secretary), Sarah Charles (CAOT-BC), Catherine Lloyd (UBC MOT2 Placement), Alana Marshall (UBC MOT2 Placement), Allison Patterson, Andrea McNeill, Flora To-Miles, Les Smith, Sharon Campbell,

1. Welcome

The meeting was called to order at 16:06.

2. Approval of the Minutes (December 11, 2017)

Moved by Allison Patterson, seconded by Andrea McNeill. None opposed.

3. Advisory Committee 2018 CAOT Poster and Survey

- Abstract submitted regarding effectiveness of AC structure, was accepted as a poster. Completing survey to provide information to improve effectiveness of the AC.
- Flora, Gabrielle, Laura, and Sarah met to review.
- Two pronged approach
 - 1) Are we doing what we say we are doing, according to our ToR? Are we effective at supporting CAOT-BC in it's vision and mission?
 - 2) Are we providing professional development opportunities for members? What is the experience like for members? How can it be improved?
- Placement students to help with analysis
- Expect survey to take approximately 10 minutes to complete; to be distributed within next two weeks

4. Research and Education Grant – Diana Mah-Jones Memorial Grant to Honour Innovation

- Change focus of purpose to honour what was excellent about Diana – specifically her commitment to excellence, creativity, and innovation in patient care.
- Focus is on education which will enhance practice and innovation in practice.

5. HMEDA White Paper

- Looking at systems issues related to ministry funding for mobility devices, as well as third party funding (i.e. ICBC and WorkSafe). Outlines concerns and specific issues which arise between vendor/prescriber/OT/funder.
- Goal is to distribute to funders in the hopes of informing or creating change. Disability Alliance of BC, BC Care Providers Association, and Health Authorities also have been approached to co-author.
- Timeline for feedback: ASAP (approximately one more week)

6. ICBC Road BC Initiative

- Approached by Trial Lawyers Association of BC, Sarah sent information regarding this initiative recently – specifically recorded a webinar to review.
- Coalition against caps on small injury claims.
- Concerns regarding potential conflict of interest with TLABC and CAOT-BC.
- There are alternative opportunities for advocacy outside of this group. Attaching our names to this would be endorsing it wholly and completely – this causes some anxiety, as we do not have control over their messaging.
- Opportunity to meet with COTBC to discuss ethical implications of this.

7. Roundtable

Catherine Lloyd	Current OT Placement Student. Previous background in art history, and has taught overseas. Interest in mental health and where OTs work in that area. Currently working with Skye to map MH OT services along the recovery continuum using the PROM.
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Alana Marshall	Current OT Placement Student. Previously worked in Faculty of Medicine doing coordination work. Interested in area of systems level change.
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Sarah Charles	Starting regional forums this week to provide updates on CAOT-BC activities, connect with local therapists, provide time for discussion about what is going on around the province.
Emma Smith	Recently returned from six months away as a UBC Friedman Scholar, working on the WHO Global Cooperation on Assistive Technology (GATE) Initiative. Worked on several initiatives including global level policy analysis on the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities.
Allison Patterson	Sarah and Gio coming to Victoria on the weekend for regional forum and looking forward to having a good turn out. Concerns locally regarding challenges with funding.
Les Smith	CAOT Board meeting by teleconference soon, with AGM coming up in March – hopefully people will be able to participate in this. Northern BC down about 20% in staffing for OTs currently so looking to hire new OTs.
Andrea McNeill	Trying to get Masters Research Program approved regarding PTSD at WorkSafe. Has met with Gio re workforce planning. Also experiencing similar challenges to Les with lack of OTs.

Sharon Campbell No current updates from her area.

8. Other Business (10 minutes)

- Networking and Education Day coming up very soon. Allison will be there.
- Wellness Show is coming up in February. Good opportunity to promote OT. Some improvements made to booth last year.

9. Meeting schedule (all meetings 4:00-5:30pm by GoToMeeting/teleconference)

April 9, 2018