



DOT (WA) Inc. MEETING AGENDA

TO BE HELD at 9.00am on July 7th 2017

IN THE STATE CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTRE CONFERENCE ROOM

Upstairs No 16 Rheola St West Perth

- 1. WELCOME & APOLOGIES**
- 2. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**
- 3. MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**
- 4. OT ASSOCIATIONS**
- 5. NEW BUSINESS**
- 6. THE GOOD, THE BAD AND THE UGLY**
- 7. REGIONAL NEWS**
- 8. PRESENTATION:** "Helping adolescents with Autism get a job: should we be doing more as OT's?" by Megan Hatfield

Following meeting: August 4th 2017 (**PLEASE NOTE this meeting will be at DSC in West Perth)

Chairperson: Fiona Kemp

Presentation by: Hannah Toster

Topic: Eligibility and the Latest Update on NDIA in WA

Distribution:

See e-mail list

TELEHEALTH VIDEOCONFERENCE LINK-UP

If members wish to dial in for DOT (WA) meetings they need to contact the Telehealth Coordinator, pmhkemh.telehealth@health.wa.gov.au. Please CC DOT(WA) dotwa@outlook.com so we know who will be dialling in.



DOT (WA) Inc. MEETING MINUTES

MINUTES of MEETING HELD on FRIDAY June 2nd AT 9am

IN THE STATE CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTRE CONFERENCE ROOM

1.1 PRESENT

EJ Leong, Lauren Biddle, Katelin Nelson, Rebecca Kuzminski, Carmen Ip, Jacqui Hunt, Alycia Keys, Fiona Kemp, Shirley McInnes, Helena Blackley, Isabelle Pontr , Tarryn Minson, Elise Barrymore, Zoe Simmons

1.2 APOLOGIES

2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

The minutes were confirmed as a true record by JACQUI HUNT and seconded by FIONA KEMP

3. MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

3.1

- **Mentorship Program**
 - o Had extended due but it has since closed
 - o Still lacking mentors, if you know anyone or want to be one yourself **please** consider volunteering. Info in the newsletter or our website.
- **Journal club**
 - o Has been moved to Monday the 12th June from 5- 6.30pm
 - o The topic is Dyslexia and the article link is circulated in the newsletter. Please read the article before attendance- it is available through Google Scholar
 - o Please RSVP attendance to Jodie

4. OT ASSOCIATIONS

4.1 WAOTA

- Continuing to work on formalising our relationship

4.2 OTA

- Continuing to work on formalising our relationship
- Currently have less of a relationship with OTA than with WAOTA. Continuing discussion but are offering same relationship details (equal discounts/offers) as with WAOTA

5. NEW BUSINESS

5.1 CHANGE TO AUGUST MEETING

**** PLEASE NOTE** that the **AUGUST DOT(WA) MEETING** will be held at **DSC** in **WEST PERTH**, not the usual venue at State CDS. The room is not available for us to use in August.

5.2 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- **ECIA EDUCATION OPTIONS FORUMS**

- Free info sessions for parents of children with disability or delay held at various locations around Perth, flier to be circulated in next newsletter.
- If you know anyone that may benefit from this please inform them
- Highlights different education options and schooling options
- Session for health professionals has already been completed- although you can attend the parent forum
- **DCD and handwriting**
 - DOT(WA) are hosting Jill Zwicker to present in Perth while she is here as a keynote speaker at the DCD conference. This is a practical and workshop based PD running for a full day on 10th July. Full details available shortly via the newsletter and website.
- **SENSe Training**
 - Sensory retraining of upper limb
 - Has been run over east
 - WA studies into cerebral palsy in paediatric population
 - Reduced sensory input, object recognition, and motor output are topics explored
 - 23-24th July 2017
 - DOT discount available (code- DOT-SENSE)
- **WAOTA**
 - DIR Floortime PD in August
- **DCD conference next month**
 - Program supplied by Jacqui Hunt
 - Research based PD
- **OTA**
 - National OT Conference 19th to the 21st of July 2017

5.3 RESEARCH TOPICS

- **DCD working party**
 - Meeting again as a full group shortly.
 - Application for funding to write guidelines from dysgraphia subgroup has been approved by DOT(WA) to have their guidelines written up.
- **Capacity building for EC professionals by Denise Luscombe**
 - Survey circulated by DOT(WA), please follow the link in the email so she can get a WA perspective for this research
- **Notre Dame research**
 - Wanting boys between 8-11 years for research
- **ATCHAT**
 - Assistive tech group designed for AT users. Hosted by the ILCWA- details are in recently newsletter

6. THE GOOD THE BAD AND THE UGLY

- **Colourful beads (wooden)**

- Available from Kmart for \$2-3
- Some of the holes are different sizes/not drilled properly but can still be used for multiple different activities
- **Shawn the Sheep**
 - Put fingers in his arms and can be projected across the room
 - Gentle- can be caught or used for games
- **Fidget spinners OPEN DISCUSSION**
 - Marketed as a calming tool for kids with ADHD and ASD
 - Debate- they are heavy and can hit others, there is lack of evidence behind these claims, are they a true sensory fidget toy or just a toy that can be used with your fingers??
 - Some schools are banning them while some schools are utilising them to enhance learning
 - Fidget spinner article written by 'OT for children'. DOT(WA) will circulate this as necessary.

7. REGIONAL NEWS

- Nothing raised

8. PRESENTATION

Denise form ECIWAA on National Guidelines for Best Practice in Early Intervention

Next Meeting:	July 7 th 2017 Conference Room, 16 Rheola Street WEST PERTH
Presentation by	Helping adolescents with autism get a job. Should we be doing more as OT's? Megan Hatfield

Minutes completed by:

Zoe Simmons

Minutes Secretary

Meeting Chaired by:

Fiona Kemp

Chairperson