



## **DOT (WA) Inc. MEETING AGENDA**

**TO BE HELD at 9.00am on 2<sup>nd</sup> June 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: Seb and Denise from ECIA WA/NT - National Guidelines for Best Practice in Early Intervention**

**Following meeting:** 7<sup>th</sup> July 2017  
**Chairperson:** Fiona Kemp  
**Presentation by:** Meghan Hatfield  
**Topic:** Helping adolescents with autism get a job: Should we be doing more as OTs?

**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](mailto:pmhkemh.telehealth@health.wa.gov.au). Please CC DOT(WA) [dotwa@outlook.com](mailto:dotwa@outlook.com) so we know who will be dialling in.



## **DOT (WA) Inc. MEETING MINUTES**

**MINUTES of MEETING HELD on FRIDAY 5<sup>th</sup> May 2017 AT 9am  
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### **1.1 PRESENT**

Jacqui Hunt, Fiona Kemp, Briohny Dempsey, Helena Blackley, Bec Czaplinska, Liz Bolt, Kylie Gibson, Kathryn Mathwin, Mario Fuentes Arrocha, Rachel Banks, Jody von Bergheim, Katie Snelling, Carmen Ip, Shirley McInnes, Marian Best, Nicola Doyle, Jack Lucas, Tarryn Minson, Zoe Simmons, Jill Czerle, Nariasa Hutt, Natalie Lean, Rebecca Etey

### **1.2 APOLOGIES**

Alana Walsh, Alycia Pitts, Jodie Armstrong, Felicity Emery, Sam Johnson

### **2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

The minutes were confirmed as a true record by Helena Blackley and seconded by Carmen Ip

### **3. MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**

#### **3.1 Renewing/New Membership**

Membership renewals are open and all members can re-join. If members are not renewed by the 15<sup>th</sup> of May they will be deleted from the website and removed from the mailing list. Prices have changed as it is an extended membership to July 2018.

#### **3.2 Mentorship Program**

The deadline has been extended to 15<sup>th</sup> of May. Currently there are members signed up to be mentees but there are no mentors. DOT(WA) is strongly encouraging people to put their hand up to be a mentor and they can gain CPD hours at the same time. There are guidelines for becoming a mentor on the website. The guidelines suggest that the mentor and mentees meet every 6 weeks but the mentor and mentee can create individual agreements that suits both parties to how their partnership will run.

***Please click on the mentor tab on website to apply***

***\*\*POST MEETING NOTE- we are still requiring mentors, so applications for this will remain open after the 15<sup>th</sup> of May.***

### **4. OT ASSOCIATIONS**

#### **4.1 WAOTA**

- Held their AGM in April. They did not reach quorum so a subsequent meeting was held the following week and quorum was met.

#### **4.2 OTA**

Meeting coming up at the end of June to discuss the state of OT in WA to continue to shape services provided. Various other webinars and PDs are also coming up, details on their website.

#### **4.3 DCD and Dysgraphia Working Party**

##### **Dysgraphia group**

Focusing on the OT role and whether OTs can diagnose for dysgraphia. The party is putting guidelines in place aimed at OTs in schools. The aim is to become unified as a profession to decide on diagnosing dysgraphia. As well as once a child has a diagnosis, what therapy/aids

do they actually have prescribed. The party is also looking at the age range i.e. what does an 8-year-old vs 14-year-old require.

#### **DCD group**

Decided that an OT cannot diagnose DCD as there is a need to rule out other neurological conditions first. Currently trying to work out a way to pull together the work that has already been done.

#### **4.4 Journal Club**

Will be on the 29<sup>th</sup> of May. The topic is dyslexia and the article will come out next week. Can VC if need.

***\*\*POST MEETING NOTE- the date for this has changed due to Executive Committee member needs. This will now be held on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> of June 2018. See newsletter for full details.***

### **5 NEW BUSINESS**

#### **5.1 Professional Development**

##### **OTA WEBINAR: What Works Well? Progress in Occupational Therapy for Children**

5<sup>th</sup> of June 1:30-3:30 - Iona Novak is facilitating, webinar is looking at the current evidence base for best practise in paediatric Occupational Therapy. See the OTA website for more details.

**WAOTA hosting the DIR/Floortime- Action is in the Interaction Stage 1** on the 7<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> of August 2017. See the WAOTA website for more details.

#### **DCD Conference**

Accepting late abstracts. Running 5-8<sup>th</sup> of July at Fremantle.

#### **OTA conference**

Running 18-21<sup>st</sup> of July at Perth Convention Centre

#### **COURSERA**

Online courses for free with universities around the world. Large range of courses.  
<https://www.coursera.org>

#### **5.2 PhD Research**

Denise Luscombe (DSC physio) is research in capacity building in early childhood intervention professionals for her PhD. DOT(WA) will circulate link in next newsletter to gain WA perspective.

### **5 THE GOOD THE BAD AND THE UGLY**

#### **5.1 Pretend Play Enjoyment Developmental Checklist (PPE-DC) - learntoplayevents.com**

For children <5 years. Good criterion assessment with age norms, similar as Kids Screen but more detailed. Includes parent, child and teacher forms.

#### **5.2 Kmart**

Penguin ball popper – shoots balls out of mouth

Large top spinners with pens – can make patterns, worked better than expected give the cost.

#### **5.3 Rat a Tat Cat Card Game**

Card game called Rat a Tat Cat, kids (and adults) love it. Looks at memory and maths skills. Available online or try Toyworld or Fiddlesticks.

#### **5.4 Table tops with white board**

Tables with white board top that can be spun to wood top. Discussed how you can usually write on normal desks with white board makers too (need cleaning solution to wash it off).

## **6 REGIONAL NEWS**

Nothing to report

## **7 PRESENTATION**

**7.1. Katherine Mathewin: The Secret Code – Orthographic Handwriting Programme.**

<b>Next Meeting:</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> June 2017</b> <b>Conference Room, 16 Rheola Street WEST PERTH</b>
<b>Presentation by</b>	<b>Seb &amp; Denise from ECIA WA/NT- National Guidelines for Best Practice in Early Intervention</b>

**Minutes completed by:**

Briohny Dempsey

**Meeting Secretary**

**Meeting Chaired by:**

Fiona Kemp

**Chairperson**