



DOT (WA) Inc. MEETING AGENDA

TO BE HELD at 9.00am on 5th May 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:** Kathryn Mathwin- "The Secret Code" an orthographic handwriting programme

Following meeting: 2nd June 2017
Chairperson: Fiona Kemp
Presentation by: ECIA WA/NT
Topic: National Guidelines for Best Practice in Early Intervention
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 7th April AT 9am IN THE STATE CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTRE CONFERENCE ROOM

1.1 PRESENT

Helena Blackley, Moses Kowen, Jennifer Ivey, Kathy Gibbs, Jean Loth, Hannah Owen, Shirley McInnes, Husveena Singh, Vanessa Pievigi, Zoe Simmons, Fiona Kemp, Jill Cerie, Carmen JP, Anthea Cousins, Gemma Davies, Rosannagh CARslow, Hayley Huxtable, Catherine deLeater, Jemma Langer, Suzanne Wickinson, Amanda Stokes, Terryn Minson

1.2 APOLOGIES

2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

The minutes were confirmed as a true record by Hannah Owens and seconded by Anthea Cousins

MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

3.1 Journal Club

- Aiming for 2 per year
- Future journal club topics suggested by members
 - o Dyslexia (good age for assessment, symptoms and warning signs, when to refer)
 - o Writing (next month- 'the secret code')- can do something on Katherine's research to link topics

3.2 Website:

- Ready to launch so can now renew membership. **When you apply, you will be joining until 30th June 2018. Please see newsletter for further details**
- Members who do not renew will have access cut off during May (until they rejoin).
- Price is increasing:
 - o WAOTA member-\$85
 - o Non-member- \$95
- There has been an increase in membership fees for 2017-18 as we are looking at paid administrative support or some way of supporting the Exec team to make managing DOT(WA) more sustainable.
- We will starting the website revamp shortly to include more user friendly style, better access for mobile phones and tablets and generally increase usability
- Input/suggestions are welcome (dotwa@outlook.com)
 - o None offered during meeting

3.3 Mentor connect:

- Hannah Owen taking over as Mentor Connect coordinator
- Opening in future (no date as of yet)
- Currently there are more mentees than mentors, so we encourage anyone who thinks they could be a mentor to put their hand up! Please note not everyone who requests to be mentored will get a place.
- It is important to ensure that mentorship does not replace clinical supervision- this is your workplaces responsibility, not DOT(WA)'s.

4. OT ASSOCIATIONS

Currently DOT(WA) is re-evaluating agreement for both associations

4.1 WAOTA

- No plans to change formal affiliation with WAOTA
- Researching further as to how members could benefit more from both associations and ensuring it is a two way relationship and that DOT(WA) and its members get benefits.
- DOT(WA)'s primary priority is to promote profession
- WAOTA AGM on Tuesday night (11th April 2017)
- Must have already RSVP's (potentially can still join)
- Hoping to have DOT(WA) representative in attendance
- Further PD- 'Action is in the Interaction' Kathy Walmsley

4.2 OTA

- See above regarding re-evaluating agreement
- National conference is in Perth in July
- Discount on 18 month membership and mid year membership is available

5. NEW BUSINESS

5.1 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

ECIA WA NT AGM

- Monday April 10th 7pm in Lotteries House City West
- Update from ECIA in June regarding National Guidelines for Best Practice in Early Childhood Intervention

Compass (QLD)

- Training for this year released- to be circulated by DOT (WA) once info is forwarded on

Infant mental health

- Running intensive two hour Thursday evening workshops once a month

6. THE GOOD THE BAD AND THE UGLY

6.1 Water Magic- Art Pack- available from k-Mart (approx. \$3)

- While card that reveals a picture when water is put on it
- Good instant reaction for visual feedback
- The pen supplied isn't very good, we use a sponge or paintbrush instead
- Dries and can be reused multiple times
- Themes vary, including- Frozen, animals, Paw Patrol

6.2 Large straws – available from IGA/ Bubble tea/ Ikea (possibly)

- Good to cut up and used, eg posting
- Blowing and putting into egg cartons
- Endless ideas

6.3 Red Ted Art

- Craft options that can be researched further on Pinterest

6.4 iPad update

- 5th generation released on 21st March
- Can no longer buy the iPad Air (does not appear to be available)
- New iPad is a slightly different size (has replaced the iPad Air)
 - o Cases no longer fit

- Lifeproof Nuud covers do fit but not a proper fit (They will release a proper case once they have developed it)
- No longer producing the iPad Mini 2, therefore cost has increased as the iPad Mini 4 is only available in 120GB

6.5 DOT(WA) review on Apps query

- Need scaffolding for appropriate use
- ILC has a comprehensive lists of Apps available for different ages and aims

6.6 Kindy teacher assessing child

- Kindy teacher using similar booklet to Beery Assessment
- Principle advising children must be able to draw different shapes (unknown evidence base).
 - Splintered skillset, not a natural developmental progression
 - Not looking at foundational development
- Youtube 'Dan Siegal- 3 R's' for a more appropriate message
- Notice that input from school nurses has increased with regard to development, but not always age appropriate
- Age appropriateness vs. classroom/grade expectations
 - A push to increase classroom expectations above developmental level
 - Must maintain developmental viewpoint
- WA education system
 - Not considering typical development
 - Not being well received to hold child back as a parental choice (without a diagnosis)
 - Difficult to gain support from schools in this situation
 - Homeschooling community is really growing, particularly for children with additional educational needs (generally without a diagnosis or less profound disabilities)
 - Facebook has lots of Homeschooling pages
 - Generally no funding, but sometimes if there is a medical issue of disability that prevents the child going to school then there can be.

7. REGIONAL NEWS

- No comments

8. PRESENTATION

8.1 Gillian Griffiths presenting on Keeping Kids in No Distress.

- Minimising anxiety, stress, and trauma for patients at Princess Margaret Hospital

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| Next Meeting: | 5 th May 2017 Conference Room, 16 Rheola Street WEST PERTH |
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Minutes completed by:

Zoe Simmons

Co-Meetings Secretary

Meeting Chaired by:

Fiona Kemp

Chairperson