

GRAND CONNECTIONS SCWI ACTION / MINUTES

COMMITTEE:	SCWI Regional Planning Team	DATE:	June 14, 2011
LOCATION:	Conestoga College, Waterloo Campus	TIME:	9:00 am
CHAIR:	Julia Biedermann	RECORDER:	Debbie Richardson

PRESENT	Steve Tangney, Julia Biedermann, Tim Martens, Brenda Gilmore, Jo-Ann McCabe, , Greg White, Sue McPhedran, Rosie Hessian, Rob Peat, Stephen Speers, David Armstrong, Nancy Hauck, Ruthanne Finnigan, Paul Osborne, Debbie Richardson, Ron Hoekstra
ABSENT	Jane Cotter, Ian Mann, Jill Nothstein
GUESTS	

ITEM DISCUSSED	KEY DISCUSSION POINTS & ACTION	RESPONSIBILITY	TIMELINE
Welcome	Julia welcomed everyone and commented on the informative newsletter that was sent out by SCWI. David said that they are focusing on the website and did cut back on how many newsletters were actually sent out.		
Adoption of Minutes & Agenda	Jo-Ann requested that there be one addition to the agenda. June/July discussion about Dual Credit Start-up was added under Dual Credit on the agenda. Steve Tangney motioned for the May 17/11 minutes to be adopted and Jo-Anne McCabe seconded the motion.		
Action Items from March minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Committee update – forums – Rosie is waiting for one more presentation from the media coordinators. 		
Dual Credit Update	<p>Please see Rosie's update handout. If anyone has any further ideas for programs, let Rosie know during the summer. A discussion arose about the fact the title 'techniques' is a little confusing and perhaps a new one could be 'exploring the trades'.</p> <p>Dual credit courses are completed including OYAP at Waterloo.</p> <p>Culinary at Knox church is already full. Many registrations have been received. Most of our programs start first thing in September - Doon campus week of September 6th. Our website has been mapped out and we are getting a quote on Friday.</p>		

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	<p>▼ The letter from the directors to superintendents – survey was included and it was excellent. The questionnaire says that the teacher can connect with the students to see if the student will participate in the survey. This survey is for students who have finished secondary school or have graduated and this questionnaire will allow us to see what they are doing. This is very important because it will show us the success of the program and affect future funding. Email addresses are to go back to the Ministry for follow-up.</p> <p>Send another budget update to everyone when we update it.</p> <p>Student data reports are due. Please send in asap.</p>	<p>ROSIE/DEBBIE ALL BOARDS</p>	
<p>Dual Credit Student Support</p>	<p>Rosie attended a meeting regarding support provided by Career Services and Advising for our dc students. They will be considered full time students and will receive full support from the Career Services and Advising including counseling and career help. As a pilot for semester 1, disability services will go to each of the classes at the beginning of the semester and will also go half way through the semester, mostly through the Doon campus. Students will also have access to the Learning Commons. There was a request to provide Dual Credit teachers with a list services that are available. Rosie is working on a pamphlet/hand-out to give out to the students for more information. There is a great link on the website for parents. Rosie will forward a copy of the link (PDF) to everyone. Everyone agrees that this is great for the students. David said that Rosie should work this into the provincial committee that she is on.</p> <p>Wellington board – students doing great and want to proceed but they need our support. Is there bursary that kids can access for the OCAS fee - \$95? No the SCWI funding does not pay for the OCAS fee, It was noted that DC student can apply to college right up until the first day of class if the program is not full. We should look at ways to connect with the students and support them with their choices. Important that the dc teachers know that students can meet with the career councilors before school starts.</p> <p>DUAL CREDIT STARTUP INFORMATION – construction/manufacturing Important that we meet in June/July with directions/instructions to the students early. Jo-Anne would like to send a letter to her students in the summer to advise them of the start-up. June 22 or 23 – 3:00 pm to meet with Greg to discuss this information for students. Bus information would also be included in this package. Teacher expectations should also be included. Steve and Luis Garcia would be included in this meeting with Jo-Ann. Steve Tangney asked if we could provide an information package to new dc teachers. Rosie said that this is already in the works for both teachers and students. EA program</p>	<p>ROSIE</p> <p>JO-ANN</p>	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Forums – updated last month. • T & T – everything is set to go for next year. • Secondary Trades – school boards have divided up the positions and a plumbing workshop was recently added. Last year there was a meeting for school board teachers at the Bloom restaurant and this was a great way to network. Brenda wondered if we want to consider doing this again. Maybe next June we could thank the teachers and then invite them to the September meet and greet. There needs to be a meeting in September to divide up the workshops. • Trade union workshops – meeting next week to pick dates. 	<p>BRENDA ROSIE/JO-ANN</p>	<p>SEPTEMBER</p>
<p>Next Meeting:</p>	<p>Regional Planning Team Meeting:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Date: September 13, 2011 Location: Waterloo Region DSB Time: 9am - Noon</p>		