

## **CSAM-SMCA Policy Committee Meeting**

February 01, 2022 – 6:00pm MST

### **Minutes**

Present: D. Martell    A. Hamilton    B. Watts    S. Elliott    P. Bach  
          C. Cull        S. Dama        N.Bootsman    R. Tanguay  
          A. Nidumolu        L. Fiorante (recorder)

Regrets: P. Leger    V. Primeau    A. Bahji

Call to Order: 6:04pm MST – D. Martell

Adoption of Agenda & Additions:

- No additions to the agenda

Review of Minutes from January 04, 2022 (Appendix #1)

- Minutes from January 04, 2022, have been reviewed and approved – D. Martell

New Business:

1. Update on CAMH-CSAM Involuntary Treatment Working Group – V. Primeau
  - Involuntary treatment, meeting with CAMH planned in February, it was delayed due to COVID acuity in Toronto in January
2. Policy Committee Webinars 2022 – D. Martell postponed to a future date
  - Feature a topic for the wider CSAM-SMCA community
  - One or more representatives from CSAM-SMCA to represent at a couple social gatherings to share experience with other affiliated organizations
  - Pairing with ongoing projects, have a webinar when completed CSAM-SMCA projects to promote
  - SOGC has been published – approach them to see if they are interested in a brief session – R. Tanguay
  - AMP looking into sponsorships for webinars

3. Draft letters to the relevant stakeholders for decrim – P. Leger
  - Clarify what we are explicitly asking for from each of the stakeholders
  - Setting up a meeting with each of them
    - Carolyn Bennett, Minister of Mental Health and Addictions
    - Jean-Yves Duclos, Minister of Health
    - David Lametti, Minister of Justice, Attorney Generals of Canada
      - Sponsored Bill C 5
    - Elizabeth May, MP
      - Sponsored Bill C 209
    - Don Davies, MP
      - Sponsored Bill C 286
  - Envisioning what an ideal post-decriminalized Canada would look like
  - Holding a policy retreat with some key people to brainstorm and come up with a guiding document – R. Tanguay
    - Police, EMS, Fire, Nursing, Physicians, Legal – Human Rights
4. Update on the Safer Supply Working Group (SSWG) – A. Hamilton
  - Would like to have core group of 9 people in the committee
    - Currently 5 CSAM-SMCA members
    - CAPUD - Invitation to Natasha
    - CAPSA – Gord Garner committed to be part of the committee
    - Invitation to Rebecca Penn, who runs the Practice of Safer Supply, to see if she would be interested in joining or who in her group that might be interested.
    - Public Health – V. Primeau will send invitation
  - Definition of Safe Supply (language)
5. CSAM-SMCA Conflict of Interest Policy
  - Send ideas, views, and suggestions to - D. Martell
6. Policy Committee – discussion point – D. Martell

- Invite another Board Member to the committee – D. Martell will reach out to E. Knight and invite her to the next meeting
- Roles for moving people to more specialized roles with relevant skills
- Skill sets and tasks

Next Meeting: March 01, 2022, at 6:00pm MST

Adjournment: 6:48pm MST – D. Martell

Action Items:

D. Martell

- Read Chapter one in attached book

<https://www.amazon.ca/Collaborating-Enemy-People-Agree-Trust/dp/1626568227>

P. Leger

- offered to draft letters expressing interest to politicians who introduced the Bills

C. Cull

- Share CCSA Conflict of Interest form