



Chairs: Suzanne Jackett, Linda Tanigami

Present

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| Dean Svoboda (AAFSC) | Suzanne Jackett (Between Friends) |
| Katie Mertens (CP Kids & Families) | Telisa Dubasov (Dubasov Dance & Wellness) |
| Scott Godfrey (AAFSC) | Paula Telfer (Easter Seals Alberta) |
| Ermira Kusari (CAN) | Bev Babuk (MS Society) |
| Deanne Rommens (City – Rec) | Linda Tanigami (City – Rec) |
| Karen Hurley (Special O) | Susan Cortes (Children’s Link) |

Item	
1	Welcome and Introductions
2	<p><u>Agency Updates:</u></p> <p>Between Friends</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Have hired a program relaunch manager to assist the agency, with experience in relaunch as well as the disability field. - Suzanne will be retiring from the position of the CEO on August 31 and will be succeeded by Kim Presser. Suzanne will continue on the role of the advisor until December 11, 2020. <p>Special O</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Received the Return to Play program to see how it is working. Alberta has out their together and are currently looking at opening the Fall/Winter programs October/November. Protocols will have to be very closely followed with the reopening. Volunteers have expressed interest in returning provided Special O provides PPE and protocols to be followed. Return to Play is laid out very simple to make it easy to follow. Once the protocol is ready to be shared with affiliates and coaches, they will be able to share it with members of the table as well. <p>City of Calgary – Recreation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Getting ready to start day camps next week and conducting staff training now on the new protocols and keeping the children safe at camp. Camps will be outdoors and there is access to washroom and to the indoor space if the weather changes. The indoor spaces are not opened so their use will be short term and parents will be contacted to pick their children before the end of the day program. Deanne will look into any questions or concerns that staff have expressed during training and share them with the table at the next meeting.

- Free summer programs: [Calgary.ca/free](https://calgary.ca/free)
- Four pools will be opened by July 20th.

AAFSC

- Townhall went well and the majority of the questions were related to virtual programs (as AAFSC will not be opening in person programming for the summer); access to private respite. Utilized the World Event Center software. Will look into exploring options to host something for this table via the software. Opted for WEC as it serves a better platform for events.

Children's Link

- Sent out information to families with questions they should ask about whether they feel it is safe to participate in programs.
- The calendar on the website is being updated weekly. If you have information that is missing in the calendar, please email them to Children's Link: <https://childrenslink.ca/events/>.
- Adjusting to the current situation: parents are stressed about the school system as there will be no feedback until August. Recreational opportunities are opening up, so people are feeling a bit better and there are respite providers going into people's homes and that provides some ease to the families. Parents are still concerned about a second wave. Families are getting tired of virtual programs and for the families whose children do not do well with virtual programs, it has been a big challenge. Families are interested in outdoor programs and activities.

Dubasov Dance and Wellness

- Starting the walks in the park (2 hrs) at Fish Cree and Nose Hill Provincial Parks with one day for other locations. Nose Hill has outhouses while Fish Creek does not have any open bathroom facilities. There will be one facilitator with 5 participants, and each have to bring their own aid unless the child is completely independent in terms of following instructions, mobility. Registrations are open until the day prior to the walk.

Fall programming:

- AAFSC: looking into in person programming in September/October and taking into consideration employee recalls, training, protocols and such.
- MS Society: there will be no programming directly from them until 2021 however they have many partnerships with other agencies where the clients might be attending programs.
- Easter Seals AB: There will be a group of rangers utilizing the Cam Horizon area and this could be a way to test the protocols that they have put in place.

Wrap-Up/Adjournment

CAN Recreation Table

July 2, 2020

**Next meeting:**

Date: July 16, 2020

Time: 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM

Location: Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86821750886>
