



P.A.D.D.
PARENTS OF ADULTS WITH
DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

We meet on the second
Wednesday of each month. 741
Wallace Rd North Bay ON

Sept to Dec, 2019

Our Mission is to support parents, defend their rights and to transform our community!

**Mini-Series for the New Year “The Art of Belonging”
January 8th, 2020, 7 p.m. 741 Wallace Rd North Bay ON**



For the next few months we will look at the power of belonging and community for adults with developmental disabilities. We will have guest speakers to share with us how they support this service.

“There is a revolution going on. We are beginning to realize that everyone, every human being is important. We are beginning to see that every human being is beautiful. At the heart of this revolution are not the powerful, the wealthy or intelligent. It is people with disabilities who are showing us what is important - love, community and the freedom to be ourselves. “

~ Jean Vanier

“Our presence is the fundamental gift that we bring to the human community. Presence is the foundation of all other opportunities and interactions, of everything that is meaningful.”

~ Judith Snow





Pop Can—Fundraiser!

**This fundraiser is progressing well! It is keeping Denis and I busy!
So far, our work place and our friends and relatives are collecting for us!**

Thank you to all!

Contact us if you would like to contribute and or participate.

lindat@email.com or call 705-478-9216

In November P.A.D.D. attended a “Grant Workshop” by the North Bay and Area Community Foundation nbacf.ca

“It is the goal of the North Bay and Area Community Foundation to be a philanthropic leader, catalyst, and resource in enabling North Bay and Area to grow and flourish into a model community. Building on the North Bay Area’s longstanding tradition of generosity, we aim to strengthen our community for the benefit of all its members and not just for now, but for future generations to come. We will achieve this goal by:

- nurturing the growth and acceptance of community philanthropy*
- building and vigilantly managing community endowments*
- working with donors to meet their specific requirements*
- addressing the community’s needs through the strategic granting of funds and organizational support*
- collaborating with other support groups to increase the effectiveness of community’s charitable giving.”*

P.A.D.D. has applied for a grant to bring a guest speaker to North Bay. We will know if our request has been accepted on March 15th 2020!

Please stay tuned!

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In October P.A.D.D. was invited to attend a round table with the Executive Director of Community Living North Bay. He was hoping to talk with northerners about the issues CLO-Community Living Ontario is working on as well as hear from us about our issues, or things we would like the government to know about. We discussed the lack of housing and supports, inclusion and the poverty our adults with developmental disabilities are facing. He sympathized with us and assured us this is a national issue as well and that CLO is working on these things.

For more information on the issues CLO is working on please visit their website communitylivingontario.ca



Going forward our Newsletter will also include the Minutes from our monthly Executive Meetings for all to see!

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EXECUTIVE MEETING

Wednesday November 13, 2019, 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm.

Community Living, Thompson Family Room, 741 Wallace Road, North Bay, ON

In Attendance: Linda Thomas-Ouellette, Denis Ouellette, Daniel Pike, Betty McRobert. **Regrets:** Sherrie Odorizzi and Laura Walsh.

1. Welcome

Linda welcomed all to the meeting.

2. Agenda

Motion 20191113-1 to approve the agenda. M. Linda, S. Denis. Approved unanimously.

3. Minutes of last meeting

Motion 20191113-2 to accept the minutes of the October meeting. M. Denis, S. Linda. Approved unanimously.

4. Treasurer's Report

Betty has agreed to accept the position of Treasurer, and will have a report prepared for the next meeting.

5. Old business

5.1. Website development

Denis has made progress learning to edit the site and has made some additions.

5.2. Monthly support group meetings.

The December meeting will be a Christmas Party! Starting in January we will be concentrating on the issue of socialization, e.g. Best Buddies.

5.3. Public information

5.3.1. Promotional Items

Betty is continuing to distribute bookmarks at the library.

5.4. Pop can drive

Sherri had suggested the possibility of getting cans from weekly Friday barbeque at Community Living. This will be brought to the next Director's Meeting at CL for decision.

5.5. Family Alliance

No updates.

5.6. Institutionalization Past and Present

This is a National project carried out by the Canadian Association for Community Living, People First of Canada, and Community Living Ontario together with Canada's Department of Canadian Heritage. The goal of the project is to create learning materials and new opportunities for young people to learn about Canada's history of institutionalizing people who have a developmental disability. Linda and Denis participated in a Skype meeting recently, at which content and target audience were discussed. A Grade 10 module will be produced, and students will do a community project upon completion. There are some funds available for this.

6. New business

6.1 Student

The student did not work out, but PADD is still on the list should another become available.

6.2 Other

Linda, Denis and Betty attended the North Bay and Area Community Foundation Grants Information Workshop on behalf of PADD. Some funding is available for specific projects, but applicants must be a registered charity or work through another charity. In discussion it was suggested that PADD could partner with Community Living to deliver workshops, with possible topics including Estate Planning, and Developing a Housing Plan. Linda will look into this further.

7. Date of next meeting.

December 11, 2019

8. Adjournment.

The meeting was adjourned by consensus.

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