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**Quality LinCS/DECS Inner South
Targeted Intervention Action Team
Thursday February 21st 2008
4.15pm till 5.30pm
Urrbrae Skills Centre**

Minutes

Present: Vas Dolman, Jenny Boisvert, Lori Hocking, Taissa Ceric, Jill Nichols, Glenda Samuel, Sue Herbert and Jane Mills.

1. WELCOME

1.1 Apologies: Dian Naraniecki, Peter Leolkes and Kevin Nelson.

1.2 Accept the minutes from the previous meeting as a true and accurate record.

Moved: Jenny Boisvert

Seconded: Vas Dolman

2. GENERAL BUSINESS

2.1 Priorities for 08 and Working Group Leaders

There was much discussion re this agenda item and the four priorities that were decided are below:

- Survey students and parents to find out what prevents students with a disability from being involved in VET.
- Getting the support of Minda Inc. (for example) to deliver holiday programs for students with disabilities.
- Provide information on day options for young people with disabilities.
- Organise a post school (end of school year) social event for students and parents.

These activities are ongoing and will be supported by the group. On occasion meetings may be called of sub groups working on individual priorities.

Jenny Boisvert noted that the curriculum written last year is available and can be shared across the region.

2.2 Parents as Career Partners Planning

Jane Mills (Daws Road Centre) spoke to this agenda item as Daws Road Centre are currently supporting the organisation of this event with Lori and Peter. The event is planned for May – Fullarton Park Community Centre is the preferred venue and the start time will be 6pm for possible two hours. The range of information to be presented will be broad including information on Generation Y, the World of Work including apprenticeships, part time, full time work and there will be speakers from DENs for more specific information.

ACTION: Lori to distribute information when available.

3. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

3.1 Statewide Disability Transition Program 2008

Lori provided information re current referrals including:

1 St Johns Grammar

6 Cabra Dominican College – St Marys Unit

3 Unley High School

2 Pasadena High School – Pasadena Unit

Lori believes that more referrals will be accepted. Taissa raised her concerns about the price of the training and hence student involvement in the program. Lori noted that in 2006 the program was supported by a grant to Personnel Employment with decreased the costs to schools. In 2007 these same funds were not made available to the program and hence the costs for schools increased. It was discussed that the ongoing costs associated with program for schools is of concern. Schools also often do not know the overall cost of the training until the students is accepted and chooses a course appropriate to their career pathway – their chosen training determines the cost. Lori to feed back this information to Personnel Employment.

ACTION: Lori and Peter to meet with Personnel Employment and feed information back to the group.

3.2 Community Development Grant

Lori proposed the idea of applying for a community development grant advertised through the City of Mitcham. Those in attendance discussed some ideas and it was felt that the funds could be used for priority four above.

ACTION: Lori to complete the application form and submit of the groups behalf.

3.3 Resources / Information

- **Step to the Future**
- **Get Ready for Uni Website**
- **Newsletter**
- **Mentoring Forum**

Lori distributed the following resources and discussed any specific items that related to each resource.

3.4 Engaging the Network

Lori asked those in attendance about ways to engage more schools and more teachers to attend Quality LinCS / Inner South managed Action Teams. It was suggested that Lori produce an email that can be used to forward on to colleagues and to allocate a site / teacher (for those willing to support the process) where contact can be made. This may include ringing before a meeting to give a reminder or making contact to purely pass on information.

ACTION: Lori to draft email and send it out to the network. Lori to allocate a site for each regular attendee to support.

Next Meeting: Term 2, Week 4, Wednesday 22nd May