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CYC-Net Board of Governors CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT



This is my first report in a while in which Covid-19 does not feature prominently. However, although the world has returned to pre-pandemic functioning, we will forever be shaped by our experiences during the Covid-19 lockdown. The impact of the social isolation during that time is still reverberating across multiple contexts. The need for child and youth care workers has increased in response, and practitioners around the world are seeing a rise in mental health and related issues in the young people and families with whom they are engaged. As is characteristic of child and youth care practice, practitioners have been flexible and adaptable to changing needs. At CYC-Net, we applaud the very complex and challenging work being carried out by child and youth care practitioners and admire their resilience and tenacity.

The mission of CYC-Net is "to promote and facilitate reading, learning, information sharing, discussion, networking, support and accountable practice amongst all who work with children, youth and families in difficulty." The CYC-Net Board of Governors is committed to furthering the mission of CYC-Net through its diverse group of individuals from around the world representing many facets of child and youth care practice.

Over the last year, CYC-Net has continued to provide the largest open-source library of child and youth care (and related) material in the world. The site is used daily by practitioners, managers, students, academics, and others, with an average of 2011 visits per day. Our Facebook discussion groups stand at nearly 4000 members and growing.

CYC-Online is flourishing with generous submissions from many practitioners, educators, trainers, and others connected to the child and youth care field. We appreciate all contributions, past and present, and extend a special thank you to our editors and regular columnists.

The CYC-Net Press publishes relevant and meaningful child and youth care texts, and remains a valuable source of revenue for CYC-Net through book sales and journal subscriptions.

Relational Child and Youth Care Practice (www.rcycp.com) has produced three high quality publications thanks to our small but mighty editorial team - Aurrora De Monte, Dr. Jaspreet Bal and Dr Rika Swanzen.

Last year we introduced our Webinar Learning Series in which child and youth care leaders and educators offered high-quality presentations on a variety of topics. This was made possible through our partnership with the Association of Children's Residential and Community Services (ACRC). We are especially grateful to ACRC's Executive Director, Kari Sisson (also a CYC-Net board member) for so generously sharing their resources.

CYC-Net is a charitable organization overseen by volunteers. We therefore rely heavily on donations and sponsorship for survival. Much of our discussion continues to focus on the sustainability of CYC-Net, and potential new initiatives to generate additional income. We are very appreciative of the individuals and organizations that have supported CYC-Net over the years – we would not be here without you.

Thank you to all members of the Board of Governors for their valuable contribution throughout the year. Your ongoing support of CYC-Net is very much appreciated.

Thank you, as well, to CYC-Net's Chief Operating Officer Martin Stabrey. Martin, as the sole employee, does everything! Without Martin, and his knowledge, passion, and astonishing commitment, CYC-Net would not exist.

Dr. Heather Modlin Chairperson





QUICK HIGHLIGHTS

Discussion Groups Membership

(as at 31 March 2023)

Annual Web Site Page Views

813 004

3993

External web links to CYC-Net

CYC-Net App Users



12 639

Consecutive months CYC-Online journal published

Individual web users during the year

320 217

289



Report of the CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER



With the Covid-19 pandemic and it's associated restrictions on person-to-person contact and freedom of movement now mostly behind us, the field of Child and Youth Care continued to weather the after-effects of it's impact. In my previous report I made mention that it will take some time before it's "business as usual". What I hadn't anticipated was a complete redefinition of what this "business as usual" means. For many, including our field, the new norm is yet to be worked out. Many people continue to deal with the after affects of "long Covid", and many choosing to remotely conduct meetings with children and colleagues, as well as teaching. How long will this be sustained? Time will tell.

With the retirement of our previous content administrator during, I am now the sole employee of CYC-Net. Financial constraints unfortunately prevent us from employing a replacement at this stage. This is an urgent predicament or CYC-Net and it's associated offerings.

The next Child and Youth Care World Conference, in association with the NACCW South Africa and FICE, due to be held in Cape Town later this year unfortunately had to be cancelled at short notice due to local funding constraints. This was a huge disappointment to not only the local Child and Youth Care family in South Africa, but the many people from around the world who missed out on a South African led Child and Youth Care conference - truly one of the great Child and Youth Care events.

As mentioned in my previous report, our offerings remain a staple of many CYC academic and organisational learning. Our journal, CYC-Online has now been published for 289 consecutive months, and I again thank the many volunteers who regularly contribute to our journal. Our web site continues to grow it's presence and our discussion groups hosted on Facebook reached over 4 000 members. Our CYC-Net Android and iOS apps are also available for those unable to easily access desktop devices.

As mentioned earlier, CYC-Net operates in increasingly challenging times, both socially and economically. With this in mind, the continued commitment of our voluntary funders and continued goodwill of so many others, without whom we would not be able to remain openaccess for everyone, is an example of the most outstanding dedication to the field of Child and Youth Care. I thank each and everyone for your continued and outstanding support.

Martin Stabrey *Chief Executive Officer*





INCOME STATEMENT

as at 31 March 2023

INCOME		EXITERATIONE 2/10	
Academic sponsors Association sponsors CYC-Net Press Individual sponsors	325 941	Cleaning and Consumables Electricity	12 467 13 005 29 554
Organisational spons Webinars	42 000 fors 752 800 248 272	Webs/App/Social media maintenance and coding Postage, Packaging	786 890
		and Stationery Rent Paid	24 730 144 000



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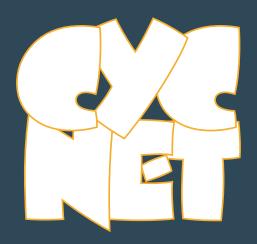
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Goodwill	100 000
Stock of books	
Cash and cash equivalents	176

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