Annual Report 2009



Annual General Meeting June 11, 2009

Mothers volunteer time from their demanding lives to offer the many aspects of MB&B: a phone hotline, monthly support group meetings, bi-monthly post-natal classes, Breastfeeding Challenge in October, a brand new brochure and website, and training opportunities for moms interested in learning more about breastfeeding so they can help others.

2009 Activities **BREASTFEEDING CHALLENGE**

The Breastfeeding Challenge is a fun international initiative to promote breastfeeding in the community. The challenge in Yellowknife receives funding from the Health Promotion Fund, which helped us to buy

VOLUNTEERS 2008 - 2009

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t-shirts for the participating moms, and children's books as giveaways. The fund dollars also went towards the running the challenge in October at the NUP Auditorium.

The turn-out for the Challenge, held on October 13, 2008 was on par with last year's numbers with over 25 babies and moms participating.

PostNatal on EVERY Monday:

With Tina Drew's expertise, MB&B is able to continue to ensure postnatal classes are a weekly event, held on Monday afternoons at the Baker Centre, alternating with YK Public Health.

Financial Report

An overview of the fiscal year 2008/2009:

Bank balance on March 31, 2008: \$3617.42

Bank balance on March 31, 2009: \$3031.00

\$7012.96 Total Revenue:

\$8356.59 **Total Expenses:**

Acquired Deficit: -\$1343.88

Where we got our money:

* One contribution agreement from the GNWT Health Promotion Fund (Challenge):

\$4606.82

* Fundraising

\$2002.00 (Epicure, silent auction):

\$404.14 * Donations:

Where we spent our money:

\$488.00 Phone Support meetings (food & rent) \$1276.06 \$1330.00 Brochures, logo and website \$354.70 Books \$864.90 Admin

Training ('08) \$536.16 \$3506.77 Challenge

Looking ahead:

We did run a deficit this year, but in doing so we invested money in the construction of a website and reproduction of our logo and a new brochure, all of which will be non-reoccurring expenses. To maintain its core operations, MB&B requires approximately \$3,000 per year. Actual core expenses for this fiscal year were \$2628.96. In comparison to last year, which was \$1726.05. Due to the fact that we were able to increase our bank balance significantly, from contributions and fundraising, we can cover our operating costs for approx a year. However I would recommend that the board continue to actively pursue/look for other means of funding/fundraising, aside from the GNWT to maintain and preserve a healthy balance.

Keri-lyn McLeod