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MINUTES OF FOCUS GROUP MEETING No1.

Held in Panevezys, Lithuania

29/01/2020

From 10:00 till 12:00

Participants of the meeting:

1. Daiva Rylskyte – PWD from JDC
2. Aiste Vasiliauskaite – PWD from JDC
3. Jurate Varnauskiene –mother of PWD
4. Janina Burlak - mother of PWD
5. Gema Jurgeleviciene – advisor or the member of the Parliament
6. Stanislava Steneviciute – lecturer from Panevezys College
7. Rasa Urbanaviciene – vice head of the Social department of the Panevezys municipality

The questions of the discussion:

1. Present situation. *Does JDC has “walls”?*

The results of the discussion:

Negative points of the present situation	Positive points of the present situation
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Not enough connections from outside• Not enough publicity complaining	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Parents involvement to the decisions making at JDC• Fruitful cooperation with parents• Open public events• Volunteering of the PWD• Hosting international volunteers• Cooperation with other institutions• Entrepreneurship• National and international Projects• Lectures to the public on disability performed by PWD• Project „Solidarity Coffee “• Handcrafts Fairs• Theatre and dance festivals• „Lafa“ days

2. How to bring Day centres to the community? *New ideas how to extend the walls of JDC.*

1. Increased dissemination of information on the JDC to the public
2. Development of work skills of the PWD at the different enterprises
3. Independent PWD' s business (interactive cafe; cleaning company and etc.)
4. PWD running educational activities for the public

3. The main areas of resistance to change.

- The attitude of the society towards the PWD
- The economical reasons (lack of money, hierocracy, legislation and etc.)
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4. Let's dream. There is a 1000 000€ to you to extend the walls of JDC. What will you do?

I will:

- establish a home for independent living
- establish a private business - manufactory run by PWD;
- establish a private business - Café run by PWD
- establish a private business – hotel run by PWD
- buy sports complex for PWD
- travel around the world with all my PWD friends
- build a new house for JDC
- bay a long-term rehabilitation service for all JDC community and we will have fun all together
- bay a trip to Mexico for all my PWD friends and JDC staff

