



COMMUNITY LIVING
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Vancouver Community Council Meeting

Wednesday, Feb. 28, 2018
3rd floor, 210 West Broadway
Time: 6:00 p.m.

Present: Vicki, Margaret, Derek, James, Pam, Renee, Aileen, Menwoh, Bruce, Sheenal and Annie

Regrets: Shannon and John

Guest: Jessica Humphrey, Matt Carpenter, Tim and Andrew

Minute taking: Lyn

Agenda topics

Agenda Item 1:

Welcome & Quick check-in

The members each gave a brief intro and recap of their activities prior to the start of the meeting. Vicki, Annie, Margaret and Menwoh were busy with work and other activities, e.g Vicki's participating in the special Olympics to be held in July in Nova Scotia, while Annie's househunting. Derek, Pam and Aileen shared that they have been with the council for more than 4 years and saw the completion of several workplan goals. Renee's glad to be back being away due to work and family circumstances. The council met Matt Carpenter, BACI community connector, a potential Vancouver council member. Jessica Humphrey, CLBC self-advocate advisor, was present and gave a brief intro for the benefit of the new members of the council. She said she will be assisting the council in the development of the council's workplan later in the meeting.

Action items:	Person responsible:	Deadline:
N/A	N/A	N/A

Agenda Item 2:

Review Minutes

The council reviewed and approved the minutes of the Jan. 24th meeting.

Action items: N/A

Person responsible:

Deadline:

N/A

N/A

Agenda Item 3:

Develop new council workplan

Jessica gave a brief presentation of the activity the council will complete to create a workplan. Jessica reminded the council that the workplan has to tie in with the four key areas of the council’s mandate: strengthen the communities’ inclusion in special projects/events, initiate/partner with the community on projects that strengthen community inclusion, inform the CLBC board and management via PAC about barriers to inclusion and what needs to be changed, and provide opportunities for individuals and families to connect and share. The activity began with the council working in groups of two each identifying what they were most proud of in the last year and what they would like to do in the coming years that will make them excited to be a member. A discussion of the achievements and aspirations of the council followed, specifying areas of strength and challenges.

The next activity was goal-setting for both short and long terms. Majority identified housing as an issue they want to include in the workplan. Jessica mentioned that community mapping can be folded in the new workplan. The council already agreed to conduct 2-3 more community mapping workshops in 2018-2019 and have a “train the trainers” session prior to the actual workshops. She also added that the council can connect with the public library for community mapping. Pam has a person in mind at the public library to invite. On housing, they agreed to specify what inclusive housing means to them and if they have a unified definition with other CLBC groups. They agreed to connect with the City of Vancouver, and hopefully have a representative sit down and meet with the council.

Renee also suggested connecting with Vancouver Resource Society who has experience in inclusive housing developments. The group agreed to connect more with other organizations like MCFD, BC Housing, to name a few, for more collaboration and resource sharing. As mentioned by John in the previous meeting, CLBC has to work on the “visibility” of the sector to the larger community.

Derek suggested the topic of social isolation for the new workplan. James agreed on the suggestion and mentioned that in other countries there is a government ministry that focuses on people’s emotional needs/loneliness. Matt agreed to do a presentation with Brooke next meeting on this issue. Vicki mentioned the Best Buddies program which pairs UBC students with self-advocates to connect them to the larger community.

Menwoh and Renee suggested the topic of healthcare or healthy living as a possible workplan topic. The website Awaresharecare.ca is a good start but they suggested having more opportunities for high-risk people to connect with healthcare providers, others in a similar situation, share health-related activities together, to name a few.

By the end of the activity, Jessica collated and collected all the information and will put together a draft workplan to present to the council in the coming meeting/s.

Jessica informed the council that PAC requested each council to create a calendar of activities. Jessica will send

a basic calendar that the council can use.

Action items: N/A	Person responsible:	Deadline:
Presentation on social isolation	Matt/Brooke	Next council meeting
Invite Vancouver public library resource person to council	Pam	Next council meeting
Send out basic calendar for council to use for PAC	Jessica	Next council meeting

Agenda Item 4:

3 community mapping workshop

The council reiterated the holding of 2-3 community mapping workshops in 2018-2019 and the having a “train the trainers” workshop prior to the roll-out of the activity. Details will be fleshed out in the coming meeting/s.

Action items:	Person responsible:	Deadline:

Agenda Item 5:

Self-advocate conference in March 2018

Not discussed

Action items:	Person responsible:	Deadline:

Date of next meeting

April 11, 2018, Wednesday

