



## Region Community Council Meeting

Date: May 14, 2011  
 Address: #207 1600 15<sup>th</sup> Avenue,  
 Prince George BC V2L 3X3  
 Time: 9:00 am

**Present:** Bonnie Fallowfield, Jackie Allen, Sharon Taylor, Ann Peltier, Ryan Taylor, Cathy Mortenson, Earnie Harding, Kris Zemplak, Eldon Carter, Terry Robertson, Pat Marshall, Ann Lewis

**Via Conference call:** David Johnston

**Regrets:** Barb Warkentine, Sharon Doerkson, Colleen Hermanson, Ruth Stanton

<b>AGENDA TOPICS</b>			
<b>TOPIC</b>		<b>DISCUSSION</b>	
Acceptance of agenda and approval of last meeting's minutes		David Johnston moved the minutes of the April 9, 2011 meeting be accepted Ryan Taylor seconded the motion  <b>CARRIED</b>	
<b>TOPIC</b>		<b>DISCUSSION</b>	
<b>Upcoming attendees</b>			
Paula Grant		Paula is confirmed to present Adult Guardianship Training, discussing REP agreements and DNR attend the Community Council meeting on September 10 <sup>th</sup> . If you have questions you want discussed, Pat will forward them on to Paula prior to the training session	
Brian Salisbury		Brian confirmed his attendance to the October 15 <sup>th</sup> Council Meeting	
Caitlyn Sassaman		Caitlyn will be presenting a 3 hour workshop on the Art of Engagement, at the November 19 <sup>th</sup> Council meeting	
Wendy Framst and Norm Carne		Could not attend today's meeting – rescheduled June 25	
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<b>TOPIC</b>		<b>DISCUSSION</b>	
Community Living Month Events		We need to start planning dates and events for the Community Living month (October) we need to get Caitlyn the information early so she can start the work on inviting the respective area's dignitaries and have proclamations if	

	possible.		
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		Council Members	September 10th
<b>TOPIC</b>	<b>DISCUSSION</b>		
Provincial Meeting Business Plan Questions	Discussion on the 22 page draft Framework for Action for the Non Profit Sector. Create Get more volunteers and more natural supports. Discussion on Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats		
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	Take it to the board meeting on June 11 <sup>th</sup>	Bonnie to take forward	
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Committee Reports <u>Membership Committee</u> Sharon Taylor Kris Zmlak Sharon Doerkson	Issue in the area of community members should have 25% we only have 13%, we have significant family members and service members. Will look at replacing with a cm the board will let us know reappointments. Discussion on what new board – will wait for		
<u>Self Advocate Committee</u> Cathy Mortensen, Ruth Stanton, David Johnston Earnie Harding , Eldon Carter	Name given from Terrace but has not got back to Earnie, Ann P will try to track him down. S/A passed away – very good member did lots of work in the community – he will be missed. Tea party was given in his honor, song was written about this self advocate. Ryan, once the self advocate group starts he will be involved. Ryan brought copy of newsletter will be passed around. David – everything is going well in his area. Heard of any training or workshops you are interested to go to? David is attending a Self Advocate summit in Vancouver June 15 – 17.		
----- <u>Community Awareness Committee</u> Jackie Allen, Ann Peltier, Colleen Hermanson, Ryan Taylor	As a committee not much to report – Ann P will attend the aging in place will bring 3 people with her. Jackie suggests we come prepared to the June meeting to discuss tentative plans for October Community Living month events. Is the committee using the strategic plan to bring awareness to community? Also bring to the next meeting, dates and things to do to meet our plan.		
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PAC	No meeting this month – will report back from next month		
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<b>Kim Lyster,</b> <b>Conversations on Aging</b>	Confirm dates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• May 16<sup>th</sup> evening in Quesnel 6-9pm</li> <li>• May 17<sup>th</sup> afternoon event in PG 1-4 pm AimHi</li> </ul>		

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• June 2<sup>nd</sup> afternoon event in Smithers 1-4pm at High Roads</li> <li>• May 31<sup>st</sup> afternoon event in Fort St John 1-4</li> </ul>						
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<b>MANAGERS REPORT</b>	CLBC writes the plan for adult services. No budget as yet, no parameters, all ministries, not just us. Caution on Octobers meetings – caution on how were spending. May change our meeting dates down to 5 will still meet our mandate. No anticipate a date for the budget.						
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<b>Round Table</b>	<p><b>Ann Peltier</b> - 2 articles in local paper on our people receiving “Yes I can” awards, commitments that people have made. The Council for Exceptional Children honors 27 students with disabilities who have excelled. One of the winners was honored for her dedicated efforts in developing Power Point presentations for elementary school students, guest lecturers for pediatric nursing students on educating others about disabilities. Ann is looking forward to the Ageing in Place forums and is bringing her mom.</p> <p><b>Sharon Taylor</b> – hard meeting</p> <p><b>David Johnson</b> – Shelly Nessman is doing a presentation for Self Advocates in Dawson Creek on advocacy and leadership. David discussed his Blog – for the Association for Community Living <a href="http://www.bcsaf.org">www.bcsaf.org</a>. People First AGM are having a resolution to have the board members extended.</p> <p><b>Eldon Carter</b> – no report this month</p> <p><b>Cathy Mortenson</b> - no report this month</p> <p><b>Kris Zemlak</b> – Kris will be receiving her 25 year service this year; AimHi is working hard to get ready for summer. In September they will be looking at a new camp location for adults only – summer rec program for children starts in July for 9 weeks; this is open to the community for a cost. Lots of work still around service redesign. Funds raised by the adventure Odyssey group 50/50 draw went to an Alaskan cruise prize. Lots of commitment on staff role in this.</p> <p><b>Bonnie Fallowfield</b>– Bonnie discussed an e-mail from Brian regarding his travel north. She also viewed Barb Penner employment video but has not had</p>						

time to connect with her. Bonnie is sending out a form to us when issues arise and will take it to the board to see if other councils are experiencing the same issues and what they are doing about them. Bonnie will take Jackie's remarks from last meeting to board meeting. Discussed a letter sent to Jane Holland, with moms recommendations options not in Jane's ability – she forwarded to all councils and minister. BCACL is collecting stories – call or write to them.

**Terry Robertson** - work is becoming more and more crisis driven and encourages all members to share information they come across. Terry will send out the information names and emails for contact at BCACL

**Ryan Taylor** – not much to report – right now, the Self Advocate groups are still doing lunches but the meetings are on hold. Ryan will let us know when the meetings resume.

**Cathy Mortenson** – Sparrows housing is ready to open – the 6 unit housing is for special needs. There is one person per unit, one family unit and one unit for support. There are strong rules in the unit as it is private property. It will be ready to move in June 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Jackie Allen** – Jackie continues to learn from reading publications and finds FASD information interesting – she also continues fanning out information to folks in her area. Jackie will attend the aging forum in Fort St John – and on the same evening she will attend the Fort St John Association wind up.

**Earnie Harding** – Earnie discussed the housing project and let us know BC Housing met in Smithers. They have 6 units and CMHC has seed money. High Roads need to come up with a \$200,000.00 for rezoning, the land has already been purchased from recycling funds. Earnie would like an update on the Proloquo2Go at next meeting.

**Eldon Carter** – The local Quesnel hockey team was bought out by Chilliwack. The Self Advocates who used to do security lost those jobs and entertainment from attending the games. Eldon is looking forward to the "Greaser" dance coming up.

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List of people consultants for pro – if cannot use – send back to be resigned		

TOPIC	DISCUSSION
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- Youth Transition – Council to learn the process

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**ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting was adjourned at 2:50 pm

**NEXT MEETING**

June 25, 2011 at 9am