



Peace District Community Council Meeting

October 1, 2008

10105 13 Street, Dawson Creek BC V1G 4R3

11:00 to 2:00

Present: Jackie Allen, Marla Reed, Justin Pylatuk, Sharon Doerksen (Vice-Chair), Ryan Taylor, Cindy Mohr, Calvin Kruk (Chair), Cory Goodwin, Pat Marshall (CLBC Manager), Sharon Moore (CLBC Admin)

Regrets: David Johnston

AGENDA TOPICS	
TOPIC	DISCUSSION
Acceptance of agenda and approval of last meeting's minutes	<p>June 18, 2008 Minutes approved. Moved by Marla and seconded by Cindy.</p> <p>Additions to the agenda include: Measuring Up the North, Leadership for Self Advocates, Vacancies, Re-visit the Budget</p>
TOPIC	DISCUSSION
Leadership for Self-Advocates	<p>Sharon stated that training for self-advocates is costly and Dawson Creek already has "People First" and Fort St John has "Open Doors".</p> <p>Marla said that money could be spent on other things.</p> <p>Pat Marshall stated that a number of changes will come into effect with the transition of children's services to MCFD and perhaps we should re-visit when the change-over is completed.</p>
TOPIC	DISCUSSION
Re-visit the Budget	<p>If the money allocated to the Community Council is not used, it goes back into programs such as: waitlists, respite, training and also for the deficit.</p> <p>Notify Wendy Framst or Norm Carne for an update on the budget, which they said they would do half-way through the fiscal year.</p>

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Measuring Up The North Measuring Up The North	<p>The new committee, Measuring Up the North, addresses inclusion issues.</p> <p>Be sure to check out the website. The address for the website is: www.measuringupthenorth.bc.ca</p> <p>Cindy sits on the Fort St John committee and Marla is on the Dawson Creek committee.</p> <p>Fort St John officials rolled around in wheelchairs to check out how disabled individuals managed to get around. They also checked out the bus stops while traveling in wheelchairs.</p> <p>Fort Nelson did some assessments last year, using wheelchairs.</p> <p>Dawson Creek assessed how disabled people get around the Encana Centre.</p>
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Community Council Vacancies	Jackie stated that we don't need to add more members, in the absence of the four that have resigned their positions. It is easier to get a quorum when there are fewer members. Everyone is fine with the number of members that are currently on the Board.
TOPIC	DISCUSSION
Video Conferencing	Now that Pat is also managing the North West region, it might be an idea to see how a video conference might work. It would reduce travel time and also money spent on travel.
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MCFD Transition	<p>The best way to get information on the transition is to check out the websites of MCFD and CLBC.</p> <p>The focus of the Community Council will be adults. For now, it is business as usual.</p>
ADJOURNMENT	
Calvin moved that we adjourn at 1:30 and this was seconded by Justin.	
NEXT MEETING	
Chair, Calvin Kruk, will advise when the next Community Council will be.	