



### North Region Community Council Meeting

Date: November 24, 2012  
 Address: #207 1600 15<sup>th</sup> Avenue,  
 Prince George BC V2L 3X3  
 Time: 9:30 am – 2:00pm  
 Dial In information: 1-877-353-9184  
 Conference ID: 8408132#

**Present:** Ryan Taylor, Barb Warkentine, Shannon Moyle, Eldon Carter, Justin Pylatuk, Kris Zemlak, Willie Neal, David Johnston, Pat Marshall, Ann Lewis

**Guest:** Sherri Peterson

**Regrets:** Terry Robertson, Ruth Davis-Stanton, Cory Norman

AGENDA TOPICS	
TOPIC	DISCUSSION
Acceptance of agenda and approval of last meeting's minutes	Ryan Taylor made the motion the minutes of the October 20, 2012 meetings be accepted information for the Terrace Community Living Month event. David Johnston seconded the motion.  <b>CARRIED</b>
Additions to the Agenda	
TOPIC	DISCUSSION
Managers report	Discussion around organizational changes. Community Living Month events went really well, good time had by all in their communities. Safeguards Training – training for all staff was held last month, we have booklets, all the content in the books are the same. GSA – This is a guide that provides us in knowing what supports are needed to help the facilitator with planning. All facilitators had the training. In the next couple of months all facilitators will use the GSA Kris – Just with the individual or families? Pat – Families as well, they are rated on levels that guide us on the supports needed. Support Request List Clean up – (waitlist) We are working across the province to get this working properly. The CPD side is doing a request list clean up monthly to have them up to date. Shannon – how long is the list, is it long? Pat – The numbers are a moving target. System does not auto remove names off the list when supports are given. Pat explained more of how

	<p>the system works. Pat also explained the unmet service demand project. Agreement between CLBC and BCGEU has been reached, the agreement but not ratified yet. \$100,000.00 scholarship fund for educational support for CLBC eligible people have been established but more information will be forthcoming.</p>		
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Strategic Plan	<p>The Strategic plan discussion and decided to separated the “Achieved” box into 2012/2013 and 2013/2014  Motion was made to extend the North Region Strategic Plan from March 31 2013 to March 31, 2014.  Ryan Taylor motioned the extension, Shannon Moyle seconded the motion. <span style="float: right;">CARRIED</span></p>		
	<b>ACTION</b>	<b>PERSON RESPONSIBLE</b>	<b>DEADLINE</b>
<b>TOPIC</b>	<b>DISCUSSION</b>		
Committee Reports	<p>Barb explained the committees for all the members.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Self Advocate Committee Ruth Davis-Stanton, David Johnston, , Eldon Carter</li> <li>2. Community Awareness Committee Ann Peltier, Ryan Taylor</li> <li>3. Membership Committee Sharon Taylor, Kris Zemplak</li> </ol> <p>New Committee members  <u>Self Advocate Committee</u> – Ruth Davis-Stanton; David Johnston, Eldon Carter, Willie Neal</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Break out meetings</li> </ul> <p><u>Membership Committee</u> – Kris Zemplak, Sharon Taylor, Cory Norman</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New member – Family member Sheryl Demers. We need to focus on community members, Justin will contact his employer, other council members will also look in their own communities. Eldon has been extended for a second 2 year term.</li> </ul> <p><u>Community Awareness Committee</u> – Ann Peltier, Ryan Taylor, Shannon Moyle.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Break out meetings</li> </ul> <p>Discussion on adding an Employment Committee  What would be the work of the committee?</p>		
	<b>ACTION</b>	<b>PERSON RESPONSIBLE</b>	<b>DEADLINE</b>
	David to bring to meetings new information regarding employment Outgoing members - name your replacement	All members bring for discussion to January’s meeting	March

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<p>1. Buddy System within the Council for new members to have a comprehensive orientation to the North Region Council</p>	<p>Willie, Cory, Shannon and Justin, any other new members,  Willie – Kris  Justin – Barb  Shannon – Sharon T  Cory – Sharon T  Membership committee to come up with a working plan for the Buddy system  Willie - Day of orientation training?  Barb – We will combine this with our regular meetings to see if it works, then will look at next meeting  Sharon – Can Pat attend when she is in the area  Pat – Her days are usually jammed packed, but will look at each visit as it comes.</p>		
	<b>ACTION</b>	<b>PERSON RESPONSIBLE</b>	<b>DEADLINE</b>
	Orientation Package Review Binder Strategic plan	Buddies to mentor new members	January On going
TOPIC	DISCUSSION		
<p><b>ROUND TABLE</b></p>	<p><b>Barb</b> – Riding has closed for the year, now we are working on establishing volunteer positions and developing an orientation package and planning on how to donate to the association. Bret is doing well, loves hockey. Santa will be arriving at the Agra-Plex, there will be coffee, hot chocolate, next year sleigh rides.</p> <p><b>Eldon</b> – Self Advocate meeting last month and we are planning a Christmas dance at the Quesnel Association held at the Quesnel. Eldon’s job has ended in Sept will resume next spring. Elson went to Prince Rupert to the employment summit. Good time, it was his first time – long drive weather was good going down but coming back not so good.</p> <p><b>Ann P</b> – Terrance and District Christmas dinner was last night and were anticipating 300 folks attend. They are having an auction plus lots of other activities. Ann talked with Christy to see if she is still wants to join the council, Christy is busy in Prince Rupert. Ann attended a round table with service providers and CLBC coordinate in the new year. Lots of snow makes travel fun. Wishing everyone a very great Christmas.</p> <p><b>Kris</b> – Held discussions on moving 2 to 3 beds and looked into the licensing, we are part of the piece to move this forward. Kris attended Wellness Training in Vancouver, shows their agency is strong and she is happy for this. Kris also went to a conference at the Provincial Assessment Centre on Therapeutic Crisis, very interesting. AiMHi just purchased a new home and are making adaption’s to support the person who will be living there. October’s Eat Play Love at UNBC went well; there are a few bumps with home share contracts, and they are working on a tree for Festival of Trees. Also we get funding from donations from the First Baptist Church on 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Canadian Tire, Princess Auto,</p>		

Lutheran Church on Ospika. Also a reminder that AiMHi picks up the donations and receives a larger percent of the profit.

**Shannon** – Held community potluck and had 35 in attendance; also held an open house where lots of community members attended. Christmas community luncheon – usually 150 in attendance, will be held the first week of December. Shannon has heard there are only 7 people in the north who have applied for PSI and thinks this is a very low number. Pat explained to the new members the criteria around PSI and assessments. High Road is planning the follow up to the last FASD conference for 2014.

**Ryan** – Of the Vine is the biggest fundraiser of the year, businesses donate services or items that are auctioned off and all benefits are used for the programs. The awards ceremony was a big success. Christmas dinner will be held Dec 6th at the legion at a cost of \$25. Ryan passed around the latest newsletter. Ryan volunteers 2 days a week with a senior at the newly opened care home/hospital, it's a combination of the 2 that recently closed in the area. Ryan explained REP agreements.

**Willie** – Christmas dance – issues as usual is no one wants to stay to help clean up. QCLA will donate the building. This year the new interim ED will donate a turkey, Willy donated 2 big chickens and they will get donations from different merchants. Everyone will bring a \$5-\$10 gift to exchange. Mr. & Mrs. Claus will be attending. Quesnel had a big discussion regarding housing, meeting at City Hall Tuesday. Funding was also a discussion. Our group needs adult supporters. Willy is part of the Self Advocate committee in Quesnel. Willy has 2 children 26 grandchildren, 19 live in her home.

**David** – Went to the Employment summit, he was the M/C for the whole thing, it was great and lots of people attended. Tables held information on what they felt was important and what they wanted to work on, employment issues. Their 3 year goal is to have the highest numbers of persons with disabilities working in north America. Not just in CLBC but everyone in the room is responsible to make this happen. David received a gift from a guest in Toronto – a bell that was ordained by a Buddhist. Peoples First retreat, self adv found board retreat. People asked for funding and the names were passed BC Self Advocacy Board. The Community Living month event in Dawson Creek was a dance; they had the wishing tree back and approximately 70 attended. Two self advocates were the DJ's.

**Justin** – Not much to discuss

**Ruth** – Our group retreat for self advocates in Abbotsford had presentations on employment, and was BCACL funded. Then she went to Prince Rupert by bus had an ok time, turned around and came back. Christmas potluck – AiMHi Christmas dinner and dance on Dec 10 – 50/50 coat check and silent auction

**Sherri** – Most fun thing was going to the employment summit – she has been here for 6 weeks, this was the first week she has been in the PG office all week due to not being away for training.

	<b>Pat</b> – NIDUS is doing webinars 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesdays every month on Representative Agreements.
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<b>NEXT MEETINGS</b>
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Next meeting: January 26, 2013 9:30 am CLBC office #207 1600 15 <sup>th</sup> Avenue, Prince George BC V2L 3X3
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