



Thompson Cariboo Community Council Meeting

Date: November 18, 2008

Address: SD #73 School Board Office, Ninth Ave, Kamloops

Time: 1700-2000

Present: Present: Ross Spina, Jenna Fowler, Tony Cuglietta, Ed Kozuki, Carol Richards, Sue McKay, Susan Elder, Karen Adkin, Mary Hunter, Dan Douglas, and Grant Huffman

Regrets: Ian McLaughlin, Sharon Bedford

AGENDA TOPICS			
TOPIC	DISCUSSION		
Acceptance of agenda and approval of last meeting's minutes	Motion: Susan Elder, Karen Adkin THAT THE AGENDA BE ADOPTED Carried		
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Approval of Minutes	Motion: Carol Richards, Karin Adkin THAT THE MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 17, 2008 MEETING BE ADOPTED. Carried		
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Business Arising from the Minutes	1. John Olynick is completing his term on council tonight and regretfully not present to thank for his participation. A small celebration in his honour was held at end of meeting. 2. Council self evaluation questionnaire results were reviewed by Ross with results attached to minutes. Key points to note were A.2, 5, 6 on key areas and issues for council's work, council's effectiveness, and communication of mission. Meeting process in conducting of meetings seems to be going well, based on input from council members. Ross raised the question of how we can move as council to more "Action Oriented approach"?		
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<p>Reports Dan Douglas</p>	<p>1. Meeting to be held Nov. 28 between CLBC and municipal representatives and MLA's to discuss community concerns including housing alternatives for vulnerable adults. Ross Spina invited to attend as representative of CLBC Community Council. 2. TRU practicum student to work with CLBC to assist in compiling information regarding housing options and concerns. Efforts would be made to use community development principles to assemble various community groups interested in housing concerns. 3. Family Satisfaction Survey by CLBC. Kamloops-Thompson region survey showed lower satisfaction of families than prov'l averages especially from those receiving services. CLBC to work at more coordination and communication between facilitators and quality assurance analyst. Communication and follow through were identified to be particularly important in addressing communication or support needs of families or clients in relation to ethnic, cultural or communication abilities.</p>		
	ACTION	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
	<p>1. Representative of council to attend Nov. 28 meeting as above 2. Practicum student placement with CLBC to be organized 3. CLBC will continue to work on improving communication and coordination between facilitators and analysts to benefit of families and clients</p>	<p>Ross Spina Sue McKay and Dan Douglas Dan Douglas</p>	<p>Nov. 28 Jan. 09? ongoing</p>
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<p>Reports cont. Grant</p>	<p>1. Service Provider Template : Feedback from service providers is being gathered locally and tabulated to create a template to try and standardize what the cost of a particular service would be from service providers. 2. Health and Safety Checklists- Home Share providers being visited to complete checklists and follow up on how these services are going. 3. Conference: Canadian Association for Supported Employment- topics were regarding poverty issues, working with private sector in hiring of individuals with disabilities, etc.</p> <p>Budget Planning Input: (presentation of documents) 1. Pie charts of different services in different regions serviced were presented to council to visualize how budget \$ used at present in consideration for March 31,2009 budget planning. 2. Draft of "Budgeting Principles for Northern Interior Region" presented and to be discussed at January meeting.</p>		
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	<p>Council members to review documents presented (pie charts and draft of Budgeting Principles for meeting in January/2009)</p> <p>Reminder of above to be sent out by Ross Spina with Jan. agenda.*</p>	<p>All council members Ross Spina</p>	<p>Jan. meeting of Council Early Jan</p>

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Self Advocates Report	<p>Jenna - was able to vote in recent election and felt would be interesting to know how many self-advocates accessing this</p> <p>-states that new advisor for self-advocates for CLBC is Shelley Nesman.</p> <p>Tony –</p> <p>-Self advocates group aiming for Summit in fall of 2009 – in planning process.</p> <p>-KSCL and Self advocates group working together in planning event on Jan 21,2009.</p> <p>“Self Advocates Employment Project” to help s.a. with work and employment skills. For 40-80 persons @ Desert Gardens.</p>		
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Treasurer's Report	Carol Richards reports that council has spent \$1,408.92 to date.		
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New Business Public Meeting Report	<p>Summary of Family Meeting Oct. 15, 2008 was reviewed by Ross with council with summaries of issues raised at recent meeting. Sample concerns were respite (timely), housing, supported employment, meaningful community activities, and communication concerns with CLBC staff (by clients/families).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Council discussed whether CLBC has reviewed new model of facilitator/analyst to assess success. Dan says a review by a consulting group has been done. - -Concern that families still feeling lack of relationship or follow-through by “worker” with facilitator/analyst system, in that a plan made with facilitator in consultation with family, comes back to family in hands of analyst who has no previous relationship with family (some loss of trust or cultural concerns). <p>* Next step is to act on issues that families have identified at meetings with summary of meeting and concerns, and what will be doing differently, or addressing.</p>		
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	Copy of family meeting summary to be sent out to different families that attended, including what action is to be taken to address concerns.	Dan Douglas and Ross Spina	

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Meeting with CLBC	<p>Carol Richards attended meeting in Vancouver on behalf of council to discuss formation of Provincial Advisory Committee. Process of application of persons to sit on this will be as follows: each Community council will nominate representative to sit on this Provincial committee (1 or 2 selections). Local councils are to form nominating committee and make recommendations to CLBC Community manager regarding these names. Selections are then made at provincial level from those names put forward. Provincial committee will meet 4 times per year. Target date for provincial committee is March 15/09.</p>		
	ACTION	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
	Council members to consider who would be willing and suitable representative from council/community.		Nomination for Provincial committee at Jan. council meeting
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Key Areas for Development	<p>a. Housing Initiatives: CLBC /Dan has committed 1 staff person to assist subcommittee with this initiative. Subcommittee formed: Carol Richards (chair), Susan McKay, Sarah (CLBC, staff- 100 Mile House) and Georgia Ross (CLBC Kamloops).</p> <p>b. Self-Advocates : Subcommittee formed – Susan Elder (chair), Tony Cuglietta, Jenna Fowler, Karen Adkin. CLBC resource person Dallas Guzwell. Subcommittee to assist in planning of summit of self-advocates – working with self advocate group.</p>		
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New Business:	<p>1. Format for meeting minutes obtained from Doug Woollard, CLBC</p> <p>2. Annual Report must be completed by March, 2009</p>		
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Public Meeting Portion	<p>Public meeting attended by Tom and Brenda Patterson, and Bob and Doreen Hardwick.</p> <p>Concerns: Major concerns expressed by attendees included: housing, financing, information access, and communication. Attendees felt ongoing difficulty of getting concise information about resources, programs, and that they must get most of information from other parents. It was felt to be difficult to get accurate and consistent information, with lack of clear resource materials, and decreased access to a specific resource person to ask about resources/services or to assist families with crises or event in their lives.</p> <p>Suggestion: Interest was expressed in Parent Resource Manual- a navigation tool for parents of available services.</p>		
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	<p>1. Council to send copy of parent concerns voiced at previous meeting to all attendees. (as mentioned previously).</p> <p>2. Community council to try and initiate manual locally- based on CLBC kit. Suggestions to use TRU student to assist with resource list, using focus group of families/clients to review existing CLBC kit.</p> <p>3. Focus group of families/clients to be used to review kit as above- 4 attendees at meeting willing to sit in this focus group.</p>	<p>Ross and Dan</p> <p>2. Council member Mary Hunter to work with Dan CLBC, and TRU student (?)</p>	<p>Dec. 08</p> <p>Jan/09</p>
ADJOURNMENT			
<p>A Farewell celebration with cake and coffee was held in honour of John Olynick's last meeting on council. The cake was delicious! The council extends a farewell and thank you to John for all his enthusiasm, knowledge, efforts, and support!</p>			
NEXT MEETING			
<p>Next meeting planned for January 20, 2009 @ School Board Office, 9th Ave. @ 5 pm.</p>			