

Upper Fraser Community Council

Date: October 13, 2015

Address: Garden Park Towers

Time: 6:00pm

Attendees: Judy Garrett, Sylvia Dirks (Co-Chair), Brenda Gillette, Kathleen Rake, Dan Collins, Dawn Robertson (PAC Rep), Mike Keating, Donalda Madsen, Natalie Fortin, Kerry Lawson (CPD Manager), Tiffany McCurdy (minutes)

Regrets: Jerry Laidlaw, Maggie Metcalfe (Chair)

Guests: Elly Choi

| Agenda Topics | | | |
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| Topic | Discussion | | |
| Review of Agenda | Motion to accept the agenda made by Mike, second by Donalda, all approved. | | |
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| Review of Previous Minutes | Motion to accept previous minutes made by Dawn, second by Brenda, all approved. | | |
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| Article for Diversability (Natalie) | Natalie submitted an article to the "Divers Abilities" Newsletter to be considered for publication. She is currently awaiting a response. | | |
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| Training for Transit Drivers & Paramedics | At the last community council meeting Jerry had suggested pursuing sensitivity training for transit drivers & paramedics. | | |
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| | Provide council Transit Contact Info | November 10 th , 2015 | Dawn Robertson |
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| PAC Update (Dawn) | Most recent meeting was held on October 3 rd . There were three board members present at the PAC Meeting: Jane Holland, Onkar Biring, and Mona Murray. Board Update was provided. Presentation made by Dr. Schlock was discussed. Self-Advocate travel documents were provided. Megan Tardiff spoke about looking forward 10 years. Discussion arose around the differences between different accreditation agencies CARF and COA. Discussion arose around the home share monitoring review and how they're working towards implementation. Transit did PowerPoint Presentation for PAC. Transit has a Disability Program Manager... they are trying to educate bus drivers i.e. lowering the bus. (PAC requested representatives to come from transit.) Katrina Johnson led a "Reflection on | | |

| | <p>Innovation” and asked for different innovative ideas that have taken place in the past. Chris Rae discussed the community council website. Driver’s Abstract not needed for council members providing transportation for other community council members.</p> <p>Develop a “rate your agency” such as “rate your doctor” was mentioned.</p> <p>Dawn brought up concerns around housing and issues around subsidized housing. Dawn also brought forward concerns regarding the Bethesda housing project in Chilliwack.</p> <p>PAC stands for Provincial Advisory Council. PAC is a meeting of all the community councils. Discussion arose whether action items are brought forward to the board. Are there expected outcomes? What is the purpose?</p> | | | | | | |
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| CLBC Update (Kerry) | <p>Analyst Tori Dalair to become Director of Operations with Bethesda. Tori will continue as Acting SCC until the end of November. Analyst Larry Shannon is at Mission Hospice in Palliative Care. Shelby Goerzen has been extended as Acting Manager until the end of January. Acting CPD Manager in Surrey Lee Rudance to retire in January.</p> <p>CLBC staff will be split into groups of 30 for workshops to discuss re-organization. The hope is to have a model by the end of December.</p> <p>CLBC looking at no longer contracting with health services i.e. Vinge. CLBC is not planning to renew the contract with Jill Romanchuck – Nutritionist. Discussion arose around the fact that Health Services for Community Living has limited hours and thus limited availability. Where is the decision coming from? Will agencies be expected to contract with health?</p> <p>Many folks are unaware of the level of risks associated with swallowing and issues with dysphagia.</p> | | | | | | |
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| RDSP | The RDSP info night is scheduled for October 27 th from 6:00- | | | | | | |

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| Presentation | 9:00pm at Garden Park Towers. Steven Williams will be the guest speaker (RDSP Guru). Topics: Tax Benefit & RDSP. Advertising included a mail out to 200 individuals who have recently transitioned to adult services and who will be turning 19 this year, MCFD CYSN Team Leaders and service providers were also notified. Tiffany called Breanna from the Vancouver Foundation to invite her to attend as the Vancouver Foundation will start people off with \$150 in their RDSP. Still awaiting a response from Breanna. | | |
| | Action | Date | Person Responsible |
| | Send out RDSP Invite to Community Council Members | October 16 th , 2015 | Tiffany McCurdy |
| | Send RDSP Invite to FSI | October 16 th , 2015 | Kerry Lawson |
| Topic | Discussion | | |
| Workshops | Council discussed finding other partners to host different workshops i.e. Rep Agreements & Supported Decision Making. Health Care Practitioners have access to the Nidus Registry. Does the council want to regularly cover topics of interest for families and individuals? Others mentioned: Wills & Estates, Discretionary Trust Funds. Kerry & Tiffany to attend Delta workshop. The Delta Association will be putting on a workshop for families 9:00am-3:00pm on October 30 th . Kerry and Tiffany to attend and bring back suggestions for planning an event in the Upper Fraser Region. Topics include: good planning, employment, preparing for adulthood. Families & individuals are the audience. | | |
| | Action | Date | Person Responsible |
| | Contact Linda Perry to host IF Info Night | November 10 th , 2015 | Tiffany McCurdy |
| | Contact Arlene Schouten to host Rep Agreement Night & Contact Lee Rudance for list of trained individuals | November 10 th , 2015 | Tiffany McCurdy |
| | Bring Rep Agreement booklets to next meeting | November 10 th , 2015 | Judy Garrett |
| Topic | Discussion | | |
| Procurement & Eligibility Info | Editorial Group to review orientation package and schedule a meeting to review procurement documentation. Kerry to send out a couple of dates to working group: Dawn, Maggie, Kathleen, | | |

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| | Kerry & Tiffany. Procurement pamphlets have been reviewed. Council to send recommendations to Communications. Group to review orientation pkg. | | |
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| Pecha Kucha | Date scheduled for October 27 th at 1:30pm at the Abbotsford office. Working group: Dan, Sylvia, Maggie, Lisa Moy, Kerry & Mike). The purpose of the Pecha Kucha event is for individuals to tell stories of inclusion. Last meeting was May 11 th . | | |
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| | Send out invite | October 16 th | Tiffany McCurdy |
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| Housing | Discussion arose around using home share dollars to support an individual to enable individuals to rent out their own place. Kerry to ask facilitators how many people they currently know of who would prefer to live independently rather than in home share but cannot afford to pay rent. Rental subsidies still being done in the province through CLBC. Kerry to send out draft of how CLBC could support people differently who do not want to be in home share. | | |
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| CLBC Board Meeting | CLBC Board to visit on November 25 th at 5:00pm at the Coast in Chilliwack. Kerry to follow up with Jai Birdi about the Board Meeting and to confirm time. CSCL to prepare a 30 minute presentation on hybrid models on youth employment and other new initiatives. CSCL has hard data that the Board is interested in. | | |
| Other | Discussion | | |
| Voting | Identification needed. A reminder to Self-Advocates who may go to vote and the importance of having I.D. with them that includes their address. | | |
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| | Pull Voter's Kit for Self-Advocates from Inclusion B.C. | November 10 th | Dan Collins |
| Other | Discussion | | |
| Policy | Question arose: Has community council been able to influence policy? Mandate of community council & role is about finding links to outside the system. Council is now focusing in on repeated issues. | | |
| Meeting Adjournment | | | |
| 8:30pm | | | |
| Next Meeting | | | |
| November 10, 2015 | | | |