



Upper Fraser Community Council Meeting
 Date: April 13, 2010
 Address: Garden Park Towers, Abbotsford
 Time: 6:00 pm

Present: Jerry Laidlaw, Kerry Lawson, Cathy Bonnett, Brenda Gillette, Maggie Metcalfe, Heidi Schneider, Bryce Schaufelberger, Kathleen Rake, Kerry Lawson and Shannon Bergen

Regrets: Jai Birdi, Sylvia Dirks

Guest: Kathy MacDonald, Jane Neville

AGENDA TOPICS			
TOPIC	DISCUSSION		
Review of previous meeting minutes & Introductions	Meeting minutes accepted by Cathy Bonnet and seconded by Maggie Metcalfe, all approved.		
	Agenda accepted by Cathy and seconded by Bryce, all approved		
	Chilliwack residents Kathy MacDonald and Jane Neville attended as guests. Kathy is a grandmother of a youth who lives with them and who will be 19 in the fall & Jane is a mother of a son with disabilities. They attended the meeting to understand the purpose of, and how the council is involved within the community.		
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<p>Provincial Advisory Report – K. Rake</p>	<p>Kathleen stated she gained valuable insight and knowledge at this meeting. 75% of the Board’s time is spent monitoring the large budget and the other 25% discussing new policy, evolution and work. Self-advocates and family members can be on the board. The Act was changed in that whoever comes to the Board should have the skills to enhance the board and help manage the budget – this was a Provincial Government decision.</p> <p>The Provincial Advisory Committee will be taking information from the local councils to the Board.</p> <p>The Committee decided they would do things by consensus – at the Provincial.</p> <p>There is one meeting per year for Chairs and Vice-Chairs of local Councils to meet with the Board. Next meeting is June 26th from 9-3 pm. Kathleen Rake cannot make this meeting. Kerry and Maggie Metcalfe will attend.</p> <p>Issue of “aging parents” will be taken to the Board, as this is a large issue in many regions.</p>		
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<p>TOPIC</p>	<p>DISCUSSION</p>		
<p>Business Cards for Council Members</p>	<p>Business cards discussed and members would like their name, email and phone number on them. Heidi will have her name and phone number on them. Sylvia would like just her email and name on her card, and will add her phone number if she wishes to give it to that person.</p>		
<p>ACTION</p>	<p>PERSON RESPONSIBLE</p>	<p>DEADLINE</p>	
<p>Send Shannon the templates.</p>	<p>Kerry</p>	<p>asap</p>	
<p>Shannon to call Sylvia Dirks re business card info preference on her card</p>	<p>Shannon</p>	<p>Call Completed</p>	

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Service Re-Design	Kerry led discussion – (Jai will present at the next meeting his plan regarding this topic.) Discussion took place around Individuals living in staffed homes, the focus of the facilitator role, the use of the Guide to Support Allocation (GSA) tool with transitioning youth and their families, and Health and Safety as a priority of CLBC.		
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Transitional Services Updates – School Mentors	Kerry – one creative idea is to use PWD monies if an individual can afford it to pool it with another individual to perhaps purchase a life-skills worker for instance.		
	ACTION	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
	Call Lori Richardson re Pilot Project with regard to school mentors and individuals who might transition into CLBC services	Cathy Bonnet.	
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Reps for May 13 th CC Mtg	Alyson Seale UFV, Bruce Koop, Betty-Ann B. LACL, to be invited to this meeting for 7 pm. Purpose: to discuss what’s working, what’s not working – new ideas, gaps? How do you get info out to families and when?		
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Young Adult Theatre	Kathy R., still connecting w/ Ms. Evans, havn’t met yet. Northview Church is offering free space ☺		
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Affordable Housing	<p>Kathleen talked to John Smith of Abby Housing initiative who would come and talk to Community Council.</p> <p>Brenda Gillette sent note to BCHMC asking if someone could come to our September Community Council meeting. Chilliwack mayor also gave Brenda some suggestions to followup on. Langley area – 3 new apts will be rented to people with disabilities.</p>		
	ACTION	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To invite John Smith - BCHMC 	<p>Kathleen</p> <p>Brenda -</p>	<p>Update needed</p> <p>Update needed</p>
ADJOURNMENT			
8:30 p.m.			
NEXT MEETING – May 13, 2010 - Dinner provided			
6:00 p.m Garden Park Towers - Abbotsford			