

Surrey – Delta Community Council

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Community Council Meeting

Wednesday, June 26, 2013 – 6:30 p.m.

Address: The Lexington, 16995 64th Ave., Surrey

Present: Edwina Jeffrey, Marie Sabine, Laila Karim, Onkar Biring, Vicki Stratton, Elizabeth McLoughlin, Karen Virtue, Cindy Bains, Coreen Windbiel

Regrets: Bob Logelin (term completed), Brent Leksens, Wendi Mackintosh, Claudia Meyerman, Cynthia Roling

Guests: Vernon Hudson

CLBC Staff: Sharon Rose, CLBC CPD Manager

1. Call to Order and Review of the Agenda

The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:45p.m. The Chair had one revision of the agenda, adding a review of the Provincial Advisory Council meeting minutes.

Motion to accept the revised agenda.

First: Coreen Windbiel **Second:** Marie Sabine *Carried Unanimously*

2. Approval Meeting Minutes of May 22nd, 2013

The minutes of May 22nd, 2013 were reviewed.

Motion to accept the minutes as presented.

First: Marie Sabine **Second:** Vicki Stratton *Carried Unanimously*

3. Report: June 15 Combined CLBC Board/Staff/PAC Reps and Council Chairs

Edwina Jeffrey and Claudia Meyerman represented Surrey Delta Community Council at a meeting attended by the CLBC Board of Directors, CLBC staff; Provincial Advisory Committee and the Chairs of the Community Councils on June 15, 2013. Sharon Rose attended as CLBC Staff. Community Councils shared their “best practices.”

Denise Turner, CLBC Chair, and Russ Keil, Central and Upper Island Community Council Chair, opened and closed the meeting. Doug Woollard, Interim Chief Executive Officer & Vice President of Organizational Development, and Carol Goozh, Vice President of Policy and Program Development, presented CLBC updates, including the Aging Strategy and the DD Youth In The Justice System initiative. Russ Keil, Joanne Granek, and Jack Styan also presented and led table discussions during the meeting.

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Edwina found the meeting was very positive, with good energy in the room. People had fun with a game where people got “oinked” whenever they used an acronym. Claudia submitted her report which stated that she found everyone very engaged and the meeting was “rich in thought and appropriate for the audience.” Sharon highlighted the three key change initiatives discussed: Key Direction #1 – Enhance Citizenship and Participation, Key Direction #2 - Align with the "One Government" Approach to Persons with Developmental Disabilities, Key Direction #3 - Promote Innovation and Resiliency. Her notes from the meeting are included with these minutes.

4. **Annual Report – Feedback Requested**

In May, Edwina sent to Council members a draft Annual Community Council Report, covering the period April 1, 2012 to March 31, 2013, asking for feedback before presenting to the annual joint meeting. She received one addition: Two of our members accepted the over-year extension which was valuable to all members and helped the transition process for a new Chair and Vice-Chair.

The draft was considered complete and ready to be put forward.

5. **Monthly Chair Teleconference**

Edwina attended the monthly teleconference. May 30 Minutes are attached. Chair noted that Council website fixes are still an issue and forwarded that a Council member (if interested) may be trained to do this. The Supervisor, Administrative Services has forwarded a request and information needed to find out if this can be done within Council. She noted the May 30 Council Chair’s Roundtable report from South Island that asked about an International Day of Persons with Disabilities. Edwina said that she would find out more about this special day of recognition. Next conference call: June 27.

6. **Mark Wafer Presentation**

Mark Wafer, a Tim Horton’s owner (7 stores), a Rotarian from Ontario, and supporter of inclusive employment, is coming to B.C. in early October to talk about inclusive employment (work with Rotaries is part of the Community Action Employment Plan). Mark presents for free when talking to Rotarians and only requires that his expenses be covered. Jack Styan has offered to cover those expenses if Councils are interested in having Mark come talk in their community, and suggests that Councils could approach their local Rotary for a joint Rotary and CC presentation. Surrey/ Delta/ White Rock Council members agreed that this would be a good opportunity and supported the offer of co-sponsoring the Mark Wafer event with Milieu Family Services. Invitations could be sent to Boards of Trade, and Chambers; CLBC Communications will draft. (The event schedule aligns with the first week of Community Living month.)

All council members are invited to help coordinate this event.

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7. **2013/2014 Work Plan: Facilitator (Lori Seay) booked: October 26, 2013**

A conference call is planned on September 6 with Lori, Sharon and Edwina. We will send her appropriate documents for her review (2012-2013 work plan, CLBC key initiatives, etc.). The call will be to discuss strategies to put plans into actions.

8. **Aligning September and November Council & CLBC Open Board dates**

Council dates: Sept. 25 and Nov. 27; and CLBC Open Board times/dates: 12:30-3:30 pm Sept.24 and Nov. 20 at CLBC HQ. Council meetings should be aligned when our members can attend the CLBC Open Board meetings. Our scheduled meeting dates will not change.

9. **Report on BC Association of Community Response Networks**

Sharon reported on the June 24th meeting where the Strategic Plan was discussed. The Plan includes actions that can be measureable. At the meeting, the June 15 awareness event for Elder Abuse was discussed and a video was shown of the event.

The Chair also received a copy of the Strategic Plan and will forward the email to all Council members for their information.

10. **Provincial Advisory Committee**

Claudia was absent from the meeting but forwarded a link for the April 6, 2013 minutes: <http://222.communitylivingbc.ca/wp-content/uploads/PAC-Meeting-Minutes-April-6-2013.pdf>

The chair shared with the Council members an attachment flyer entitled “Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders (DSM-5), from the American Psychiatric Publishing. In particular, noting a ‘Name Change’ as follows: “Intellectual disability (intellectual developmental disorder) as a DSM-5 diagnostic term replaces “mental retardation” used in previous editions of the manuals.” Sharon explained why this is important to CLBC and is used by psychologists to diagnose a developmental disability. CLBC will update its information but eligibility for services will not be greatly impacted. The Chair also expressed that this new ‘Name Change’ is a good thing.

11. **Next Meeting**

Next Community Council Meeting – September 25, 2013 at 6:30 pm – CLBC office on King George Blvd.

12. **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

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Sharon Rose Notes: June 15th meeting with Council Chairs and CLBC Board

Ideas for how councils can be successful

- Community councils can be a catalysts for change
- Others to share this lens
- Sharing stories
 - What worked?
 - What didn't?
 - What would have made a difference?
- The way people with DD are in community, move away from being recipients of service and seen as citizens?
- Unlikely allies are the people to talk to
- An understanding needs to happen much earlier in people's education, lives and development
- CC Work plan identifies key areas of focus and creates committees
 - Invite members on the committee who are non cc members
- Meeting once a year in a different area
- Recruitment matrix
 - Target specific profile

Key change initiatives

Key Direction #1 – Enhance Citizenship and Participation

Key Direction #2 - Align with the "One Government" Approach to Persons with Developmental Disabilities

Key Direction #3 - Promote Innovation and Resiliency

Opportunities for Community Councils to align annual work plans with CLBC's key change initiatives

1. **Increase capacity of individuals and families to build nurture and sustain person support networks**
 2. **Increase the use of Individualized Funding**
 3. **Implement the Community Action Employment Plan**
 4. **Identify ways that individuals, families and service providers successfully engage with services that are used by all citizens.**
- Community town hall
 - Talk on relationships
 - Framing questions
 - Take a meeting to a community place
 - Talk to the public

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- Host show cable
- Collect the stories of people's lives that have support networks (friends in their life)
- Milieu – community mapping - Celebrate where people with DD are welcomed in these communities
- RCMP – Community watch - safeguarding
- Joint training – councils and CLBC staff and others
- IF recognizes families as equal partners and experts
- there is a province full of parents and families and community that are experts and we need to tap into that
- Blog – 101 ways to make friends

Task force recommendations

- Improving communication and collaboration
- Central data base of current members
- Monthly conference
- Call of Council Chairs
- 1 year extensions of council members
- Encouraged to act as an informative and advisory role at the local and regional level
- Refresh orientation of new council members
- Council handbook
- Council self-evaluation

The Learning so far

- The significance of geography (both rural and urban challenges)
- Inclusion – under tendering it perhaps welcoming is better “belonging”
- Tension between activities of “welcoming communities” and bringing together people and families to address gaps in service
- Mandate of cc not to see tensions of mutually exclusive
- Influence; change agents in the world of C.L.
- Celebration
- Story telling
 - What worked?
 - What didn't?
 - What did we learn from it?
- Have a person with a disability attend committee meetings with facilitators (i.e.) measuring up, board of trade etc. - Crime and justice – need to have a self-advocate with a story on the committee