

Surrey – Delta – White Rock Community Council

#2017 – 7495 – 132 Street, Surrey, BC V3W 1J8

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Community Council Minutes Wednesday, September 28, 2016 – 6:30 p.m.

Present: Marie Sabine (Chair), Sherry Adam, Vernon Hudson and Laila Karim

Guest: Tracey Chan

CLBC staff: Dawn Kennedy, Community Engagement Facilitator; Anthony open Dries, Integrated Services Manager

Recorder: Edwina Jeffrey

Regrets: Linda Beck, Alison Scholefield, and Vicki Stratton

1. **Call to order:** Marie Sabine (Chair) called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m.

2. **Welcome to All and Introductions**

The Chair welcomed everyone and introduced Dawn Kennedy and her position (Community Engagement Facilitator) within CLBC. Her position so far has been involved with the Inclusive Employer Awards. After this September 29th event she can get involved more with the Community Council.

3. **Review and approval of the agenda for the September 28th, 2016 meeting**

The September 28th, 2016 Agenda was adopted.

Review and approval of the minutes of the June 20th, 2016 meeting

Motion: *It was moved by Sherry Adam to approve the minutes of the meeting held on June 20th, 2016; Laila seconded.*

Carried Unanimously

4. **Fall Forum Discussion: October 25th Janet Klees presentation**

It was suggested to distribute the Janet Klees event invitation to Facilitators. It was also agreed final invitation needs to be distributed to the target audience as soon as possible.

Janet Klees' presentation has several components:

- What is family governance and how to provide inclusive housing; e.g., 105 apartments.
- Explanation on how she began on this journey and share her personal story

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Motion: Laila moved that the invitation flyer as corrected: DAFRS should be spelled out: Durham Association for Family Respite Services (DAFRS) and otherwise presented is good to go out to self-advocates, families. Sherry seconded.

Carried Unanimously

5. Provincial Advisory Committee Meeting Update

Vicki sent her corrected report by email.

Comments: Strategic Plan refresh started in June. There was further discussion at the September Provincial Advisory Committee meeting. September topics to note:

- Maintain descriptive statement: Good Lives in Welcoming Communities
- Increase Access to Independent Living - people have choices
- Ensure CLBC continues strengthening planning with families
- Maintain a high level point of view and re-align operational efficiency
- Note change in Surrey-Delta-White Rock report: ABA should be Positive Behaviour Support
- Government funding is less as some funding has been allocated
- Members had discussion about the actual cost of housing and shelter allowance through PWD.
- Council members are being heard about housing issues; BC Housing is aware and is working with other Ministries
- Anthony opden Dries noted he is a member of BC Non Profit Housing Association (BCNPHA). The BCNPHA conference will be held in Richmond November 20 – 23, 2016

6. September 29th Inclusive Employer Awards Update

Dawn advised the event is sold out. She distributed the Media Kit. The event has created awareness in the community. Edwina spoke about media: Surrey604 is primary website media. She noted the Emcee (Marco Pasqua) and herself, plus a Rotary representative, were interviewed on the Harpreet Singh show for JoyTV (will forward link). An interview with two employees was featured on Fraser Focus, JoyTV.

The difference between this event and the WOW awards is that various stakeholders are represented on the committee members (e.g., CLBC, City of Surrey etc.) and have collaborated together and that makes a difference. Committee members will have a debrief meeting following the event; time and date/place to be decided.

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7. **October 19th ‘Volunteering and Beyond’ Volunteer Fair (Queen Elizabeth Secondary School)**

Various ideas about CLBC representatives staffing a table at this Fair were discussed:

From Council’s perspective the event is:

- An opportunity to recruit new council members
- Another option is to have a student/peer volunteer to tutor a student with a developmental disability to help them learn and expands their quality time; i.e., like a Big Brother or Sister.
- An opportunity to compile a list of potential volunteers for parents; i.e, babysitting, respite care. Dawn will get ideas from Sylvie Zebroff.

Dawn also wanted to know if other service agencies need volunteers; so she could approach them for pamphlets for the table.

There will be a lot of students coming from a lot of different schools. It would be beneficial to let volunteers know what CLBC is, from an organizational point of view as it would be an excellent opportunity for them to learn about the field as a future employment opportunity. As well, students are looking at it as an educational opportunity and to enable students to use their mandatory 100 volunteer hours.

Marie, Vernon and Dawn will be staffing the CLBC table.

8. **Community Living Month Proclamation**

Delta does not do proclamations any more.

White Rock did not reply to the letter requesting a proclamation.

The City of Surrey’s proclamation to be photographed at the Inclusive Employer Awards on September 29.

9. **Other Business:**

Self-advocate Conference: Vernon Hudson will be the Emcee

The conference is supported by the Upper Fraser Regions and Surrey-Delta-White Rock regions. No date has been decided as yet. The budget is \$3,000.

Self-advocates have put forward suggested topics including bullying, safety online, healthy living-healthy mind. Ticket costs for self-advocates have not been

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determined as yet. Vernon will provide an update at the November Council meeting.

Motion: Sherry moved to reappoint Vernon Hudson for another 2-year appointment; Laila seconded.

Carried unanimously

Adjournment and 7:45 pm

Reminders:

Next Council Meeting: November 23 – Sherry Adam will present on positive behavior supports

Inclusive Employer Awards: September 29th

‘Volunteering and Beyond’: October 19

Janet Klees presentation: October 25