

**Vancouver Community Council Meeting
Saturday, November 17, 2007**

**Present: Sue Salter, Peter Swayne, John Tsang, Tina Stagnitta,
Ken Wakeman, Natalie Marach, Yaming Chen, Anita Lee,
Mara St. Onge-Dueck, Ernie Baatz, Nora Flaherty**

**Regrets: Rachelle Czerwinski, Richard McDonald, Rita Leedholm,
Jan Wood**

- 1. Letter of resignation from Ann Dumas was read to the Community Council. Council will send flowers and card to Ann in appreciation for her work on council.**
- 2. Peter Swayne elected co-chair by acclamation**
- 3. Norah Flaherty – Advisory Committee to the CLBC Board of Directors. Nora explained the Advisory Committee’s role. Advisory committee has been asked by CLBC board of directors to identify a large area of concern and bring a proposal to board on how this issue should be addressed. The advisory committee is looking at Transportation.**

Council will prepare a document that council can present to Nora and her committee.

4. What’s the Buzz

- John attended the Toronto National Autism conference. They’re developing a model for Autism issues. Federal funding will be available for research etc.**
- Imagine conference on January 11th, 12th, and 13th in Abbotsford. Ernie sent e-mail to Community Council members with the details.**
- Vancouver Foundation – Money is available for community based events.**

- 5. Sub-Committee – Communication to families that are isolated. The sub-committee members are Ken/Mara/John/Peter/Jan and Anita.**
- 6. December 6th meeting - format of meeting was discussed. Ken, Natalie, Peter and Anita will be meeting to prepare for the December 6th meeting.**
- 7. Review Goals & Objectives of Community Council – Peter reviewed the new format of Goals and Objectives.**
- 8. An idea – The Caring Friends Network Fund to help those that don't normally have access to PLAN. Next step – council sub-committee (Ernie and Peter) to meet with PLAN representatives.**
- 9. Discussed the letter to Doug Woollard and his response to letter.**
- 10. Community Council communication document discussed and amended.**

Next Community Council Meeting will be held on January 12, 2007 9:30 a.m. at 4th floor – 210 West Broadway. In February we will meet on February 16th . March meeting TBA.