



North Okanagan Shuswap Community Council Meeting

Minutes of June 19, 2014

Community Connections, Revelstoke

1. Welcome & Attendance

- In Attendance: Lorne McEwen (Chair), James Weir, Kelly Riguedell, Colleen Larson, Rose Vair, Bill Tidsbury (CLBC),
- Regrets: B. Elliott

2. Agenda items:

- Added 7a: Information regarding self-advocate activities

3. Approval of Agenda:

- **MOTION:** Kelly. **Seconded:** James to approve the agenda as amended. **Carried.**

4. Item deleted.

5. Review and approval of April 17th minutes

- **MOTION:** Kelly. **Seconded:** Rose to approve the April minutes. **Carried.**

6. Old Business:

a) Update on the student video project

Due to the cancellation of classes and the uncertainty regarding when schools will re-open, the timelines for the project will be changed. The project will now kick off in October coinciding with Community Living Month. The poster will be revised by July 15 and sent out to council members. Colleen, Kelly and B. will inform the school administrators about the project by August 30. Posters to be up in schools by September 15. A media release will be planned for October 01. Final submissions will be November 14. The winners will be announced November 28. Wendy Phillips will coordinate with Lisa Porcellato regarding the media release in coordination with Community Living Month in the Vernon area, Salmon Arm and Revelstoke. Lorne and James will contact the Vernon Community Arts Council regarding assistance with judging. The bursaries will be presented on grad day for each winner.

b) Sue Phillips Recognition

James recognized Sue for her many years of dedication and work for the Council. She was presented with a self-advocate watercolour. The presentation was held at the board meeting for Kindale and Sue was delighted to receive the recognition and thanks from the Council.



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7. a) Information regarding Self-Advocate Activities

Rose provided information from the Community Connections Self-Advocate group. They are working on affordable housing issues related to individuals with pets. The issues involve pet insurance and the cost of health care for older pets and assistance with understanding how to care for pets.

b) Provincial Board Meeting in Vernon July 29/30

The Provincial Board will be holding a regular Board meeting in Vernon on July 30. On July 29, the Council will have a private meeting with the Board for an hour to discuss any item of interest to the Council. Council discussed items to bring to the Board's attention:

- The concept of open meetings should be required for service provider boards.
- CLBC has very little contact with the board level of governance of the service providers.
- Council budgets should be restored to their previous level.
- CLBC to consider a provincial budget to bring in international speakers of interest to councils.
- Commendation to the Board for their openness and renewed support to Councils.
- Continue to work with other Ministries to implement the Strategy on Aging.
- Continue to improve the transition to adult services and supports.

Council members are asked to contact their community connections regarding issues of concern or positive experiences to possibly bring forward to the Board.

Council members will meet for coffee at 3:30pm prior to the meeting with the Board to finalize Council presentation to the Board. Location Prestige Hotel tba.

Motion: James. **Seconded:** Kelly – The Council to allocate funds to purchase art done by local self-advocates to be presented to each Board member. **Carried.**

8. Request from FASD Committee for assistance

The Vernon FASD Committee has requested assistance with their FASD Awareness Day in November. The day will involve a community awareness forum with a panel of speakers from a cross section of systems; health, education, social services. The Committee is asking for financial assistance with costs including honorariums, materials and advertising.

Motion: Kelly. **Seconded:** James. The Council to allocate \$250.00 to the FASD committee for the FASD Awareness Day. **Carried.**

Members of the FASD Committee will be invited to a future meeting to provide more information on their work and how we can assist including participation in the Awareness Day event.



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9. Update on the annual meeting with Councils, CLBC Board and Management June 06/07 in Vancouver

Lorne, Colleen and Bill provided information regarding the meeting. There was an interactive learning session on community building and the role of Councils, discussion and input into the CLBC Strategic Plan and the opportunity to hear from other councils, the Board Chair, Interim CEO and management. The meeting was positive and collaborative.

10. Annual Planning

Council members discussed scheduling for our annual planning meeting and moved the planning session to October 17 evening and October 18, likely in Vernon. Lorne, James, Bill and Wendy will meet over the summer to plan and organize the meeting.

We will hold a regular Council meeting on September 25, CLBC Vernon at 5pm.

11. CLBC Update

Bill provided the following information:

- Wendy Phillips will be available to assist the Council including minutes, assistance with recruitment, coordination of activities and other administration.
- The 8 domains Quality of Life Surveys continue but are slower than anticipated.
- The region is experiencing considerable demand for services for individuals with complex need.
- There are positive gains in obtaining affordable housing – some service provider purchases and cluster housing in apartment projects.
- There are issues with unaccredited service providers not following up with complaints.
- The regional budget remains tight.

12. Upcoming Events

- a) July 29 – 8am Provincial Board members tours in Vernon
- b) July 29: 4:30pm Board meeting with Council (Council to meet at 3:30)
- c) July 29: 6pm Stakeholders reception with Board. Council members welcome
- d) July 30: 8:30am – 11:30am: Public Board Meeting

13. Upcoming Meetings:

- a. September 25: 5pm – Council meeting Vernon CLBC
- b. October 17/18 Annual Council Planning Meeting, Vernon location tba.

Meeting Adjourned

Next Meeting September 25th @ 5pm @ CLBC Vernon