



## North Okanagan Shuswap Community Council Meeting

Minutes of Planning Meeting on January 22, 2015

CLBC Boardroom, Vernon

### 1. Welcome & Attendance

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

### 2. Agenda items:

- i. Student Video Project
- ii. Supporting Families Contact

3. Bill spoke about his retirement from CLBC next month and of his travel plans to South Africa followed by a vocation in Honduras. The council wishes him well and looks forward to working with his successor.

### 4. Action: Bill will notify Shirley Bates of TwentyTen Foothills of the February 19<sup>th</sup> Council meeting in Salmon Arm.

#### i. Student Video Project

A quick pulse on the last meeting's action items was taken to see where things were at and what items still needed to be done to ensure this project is a success.

- Colleen will revisit and remind SD22 schools to ensure the contest is still on their list of projects;
- B to confirm SD83 contacts had been made.
- Kelly confirmed that she has also contacted her area schools and will also conduct follow-up communication.
- Wendy reported that Lisa Porcellato had initiated communication and arranged for media coverage with the designated newspapers as well as social media exposure. Lisa also suggested a visit to Vernon MLA, Eric Foster to inform him about the initiative. Bill has a meeting with Eric on February 3<sup>rd</sup> and perhaps Rose could drop by with a poster to give to Eric.
- This sparked a discussion about extending an invitation to all three MLAs to meet with Council on February 19<sup>th</sup> at the CLBC Salmon Arm satellite office. It would give a perfect opportunity to talk to them about the council role and initiatives.

**Action: Wendy to ask Lisa P. to set up meeting for the MLAs to attend on Feb. 19<sup>th</sup>.**



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- A quick check was taken to ensure readiness in receiving phone calls and enquiries from students, etc pertaining to the contest; ie Q&As.
- James suggested that the school's centralized record of Bursaries could perhaps include the video contest details.
- Bursaries can be used for ongoing education.

**Action: Wendy will send a mailout which will include the poster to families and service providers with a request that they pass on the info.**

**Action: Wendy will prepare the Q&A handout to give to enquirers and will forward to Lorne for review.**

**Action: Colleen will contact the Vernon school districts re James' suggestion. There was no decision made with respect to contacting the other school boards.**

ii. Supporting Families – peer to peer support

Lorne and Bill had met and developed a draft criteria to assist council as to how the \$25,000 Council Family Support Contract funds would be used. Council reviewed the list and a lengthy discussion followed on the pros and cons of having one big contract awarded versus distributing the funds in smaller grants. A considerable amount of time and due process is required if the RFP route is pursued. Having a variety of smaller projects seemed to be more attractive and may bring in some great grass roots ideas. Bill suggested if this was the route council wanted to go, he advised that the maximum grant should be \$1,500.

Lorne asked council to review the draft criteria following the conversations held and to provide feedback to him. Lorne will then meet with Bill, Jennifer (Acting for Bill) to develop a revised draft criteria which will be brought to the Feb 19<sup>th</sup> meeting for council approval.

**Action: Bill to check with CLBC CFO, Richard Hunter for direction on grants and the payment process.**

**Action: Lorne to send council members the draft criteria for feedback by Friday, January 30<sup>th</sup>.**

**Action: James to meet with Rose after all the revisions are completed.**

iii. CLBC Reorganization

Bill spoke to council members of the recent CLBC reorganization as announced by CEO, Seonag Macrae.

### 10. Next Meetings - 2015

- a) February 19: 5:00pm - Salmon Arm
- b) March 26: 4:00 pm - Vernon

Meeting Adjourned

**Next Meeting February 19 @ 5:00 pm – CLBC Salmon Arm**