



North Okanagan Shuswap Community Council Meeting

Minutes of Meeting on November 23, 2015

CLBC Boardroom, Vernon

1. Welcome & Attendance

- Present: Lorne McEwen (Chair), James Weir, Kelly Bateman, Jennifer Love (CLBC) and Wendy Phillips (CLBC).
- Regrets: Colleen Larson, Rose Vair

2. Agenda items:

No formal agenda was presented.

Actions arising out the Draft Work Plan:

1. Inclusive Employer Initiative: Connecting with Rotary Clubs and RotaryatWorkBC
Lorne will wait to hear back from Barb Penner, local Rotary rep. to coordinate a presentation to the Rotary and see what process is determined. Council will act as a point of contact between Rotary and Service Providers.
Action: Lorne and James will act as a sub-committee to see where this goes in a couple of months.
2. Meeting Places for Self-Advocate Group Meetings
James to research meeting places for Self-advocates monthly meetings. James has been in touch with the Schubert Centre's Manager, Jack Gareb. Jack has approved for the self-advocates to have a meeting room provided they purchase their lunches there. The cost of which is estimated to be between \$5-7/person and based on ~10 members, it would result in approximately \$60/month. A pre-payment of which will be required.
Jennifer will get back to council regarding this funding support to self-advocates.
Council advised that grants will be available for other self-advocate groups needing assistance.
Motion: Kelly: Council to support self-advocate meetings for six months @ \$60/month.
Seconded: Lorne. Carried.
3. Kelly spoke of some self-advocates who have formed a group/band called 'Humble Spirits'. This group wants to hire a band leader who will help them to play at an upcoming Christmas Party. The band leader would help to organize and coordinate the group of eight



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self-advocates. The cost of this is \$200.00

Kelly will be attending the Christmas Party where she will be talking to families and care providers and will promote the council's vision and support of the group.

Motion: James: Council to offer \$200.00 to support 'Humble Spirits' self-advocate band.

Seconded: Lorne Carried.

4. Council connecting with CLBC staff:

Lorne and Colleen will attend the next CLBC staff meeting scheduled for Wednesday, December 2nd where they will expand staff awareness of Community Council and its planned activities.

5. Council's 2015/2016 Draft Work Plan

Sylvie Zebroff emailed council the draft 2015/2016 Work Plan. There was a discussion about the Inclusive Employer initiative. Sylvie is to find out specifics regarding the Inclusive Employer window stickers (process and costs, etc.).

Action: Lorne and James to check out trophies and awards and present back to council to review.

6. Recruitment:

Lorne and James will follow-up with Eileen Howell, Executive Director of Vernon & District Association for Community Living (VDACL) and Laura Hockman (formally the Director of Independent Living Vernon), both of whom have expressed interest in joining council. Joanne Crawford of Shuswap Association of Community Living has also confirmed that she is interested in rejoining council.

Council (Lorne and Colleen) will address this to the CLBC facilitators at the December 2nd staff meeting. Kelly will follow-up with self-advocates in the Revelstoke area.

Meeting adjourned at 5.10pm

2016 Meetings

January 18 : CLBC Boardroom, Vernon

February 15

March 21

April 18

May 16

June 20