



North Okanagan Community Council Meeting

Minutes for January 15, 2011

1. Welcome

- In Attendance: Sue Phillips, Dianne Saint, Patrick Allwood, Helmut Herrmann, Lorne McEwen, Joanne Crawford, Lisa Kongsdorf, Patricia Winters and James Weir
- Regrets: Henry Sundquist, Kathleen Cusmano
- Visitor: Shirley Bates

2. Additional agenda items:

- Some changes to conference sessions
- **ACTION:** Bill T to confirm that a thank you was sent to Neils C. for facilitating the strategic plan in September.

3. Approval of Agenda:

- **MOTION:** To approve Agenda Diane S., Lorne M. seconded motion Carried.

4. Conflict of interest declaration

- None

5. Review and approval of Nov 20, 2010 minutes:

- **MOTION:** To approve as corrected -Helmut H; Seconded?? Correction - November 20 minutes – Education and Awareness committee update by Sue and Joanne missed – to be added in.
- **MOTION:** to approve by Joanne C., Pat W .seconded.

6. Old Business:

- Alli McNeil – prioritization of topic list.
 - 1, 6, 9 together – as capturing a picture of where we want things to get to
 - Need to request the tracking of email responses to the articles from Alli
- **Motion:** For the Council to move forward in securing a contract with Angela Davidson to build up a library of P.P. slides for a draft presentation to the council March 19 – James W; Helmut H Seconded Carried.
- **Recognition plaques update**
 - All but one sent out. Grant Huffman expressed great appreciation for the Award.



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7. Smart CL – Sicamous update

- A contract is finally being worked on and the Society will receive some funding this fiscal year.

7a. Shirley concern re: issue of adequate support for respite providers

- Concern re: the delay in receiving the funding for the MPP adjustment
- Concern regarding a shortage of group peer activities in Salmon Arm i.e. an annual dance.

8. Mumm’s request for a general meeting with HQ staff – potential October 2011 activity for Council

- The Council will tie this suggestion in with actions arising out of the Strategic plan that is being worked on this year. Further discussion of detail tabled for next meeting.

9. Self Advocates Conference Fall 2011

- Council is supportive of the idea and would like to participate in a similar way as they did in the last conference in 2009

10. Recruitment process for 4 new members

- **ACTION:** Bill to ask his staff to check with family members they have contact with in Vernon regarding any who may have potential interest.
- **ACTION:** Bill to ask Community Connections for a representative
- Discussion of the value of posting a general ad in the local papers -Revelstoke paper – Association Newsletters. Discussion of the value of word of mouth from people who know each other.

11. Advisory committee update/input

- The meeting was postponed – no new date has been set.



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12. CLBC Update

a. Staffing update – Tamina, Ebony, Lindsay

- The additional staff is supported from unspent staffing dollars and a commitment from CLBC to get the new Contract system up and running.

b. Current Budget situation

- This area is experiencing very tight spending limitations.

c. Savings process and the new fiscal year

- Projections are that we will likely continue to experience an ongoing need to look at re-design as a source of funding for new individuals.

d. Large residential settings

- The area will continue to move forward on the long term planning process that began 2 years ago under Grant Huffman to continue to reduce the number of individuals supported in large settings. New individuals are not being added into these locations.

e. Regional work plan – input to Rick Mowles

- **ACTION:** Any thoughts about input to Rick Mowles at his upcoming meeting with the managers can be emailed to Bill T.

13. Strategic Plan – updates

a. Break down Barriers to accessibility and inclusion; Kathleen & Kirsten

- No report - Kathleen was not able to be present. Kirsten has resigned.

b. Build trust and connectivity with families and individual; Sid, Henry & Helmut

- Helmut identified that the committee is working on things.

c. Provide opportunities for input to community council; Patrick & James.

- James will be heading up the process to pull together a PowerPoint presentation that can then be used by all committees in their projects. James will be assisted in this by Lisa Kongsdorf and Lorne McEwan.
- **ACTION:** Bill will send some materials from his email and CLBC HQ that captures some of the work done to date.

d. Build collaboration with service providers. Loren & Diane

- The sub-committee is looking at a presentation to the service provider group in the spring after the PowerPoint is developed.



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- Presentation which shows - who we are, what we have done, what we are supposed to do and where we are going.

14. Upcoming events

- Housemate ad in local paper – Some questions raised about the wording of a newspaper ad in the local paper. Since it is not a CLBC ad, CLBC does not manage or control its content. Discussion occurred around the independence of each service provider and their need to conform to their own values and policies. Issues of concern can be raised directly with each organization.
- **Aging Forum:** for healthcare providers, self advocate seniors, aging parents, senior's groups and centres, staff and universities especially gerontology, service provider both in and out of CLBC, provincial partners Vela and micro-boards, PLAN, FSI, municipal and town recreation department groups or clubs that provide support to seniors groups i.e. stroke, Alzheimer's, diabetes or others involved or experienced in the aging seniors field to be invited.

February 17 – Vernon – Schubert Centre

March 16 - Salmon Arm - DA Centre

Time: 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm

15. Upcoming meetings

- Feb 19, 2011 - Vernon
- Mar 19, 2011 – Vernon

16. Tabled items for future meetings.

- Community Living Month in October.

Meeting Adjourned

Next Meeting February 19, 2011

Vernon