

**MINUTES**  
**North Okanagan Community Council Meeting**

<b>DATE:</b>	<b>Saturday, November 22, 2008</b>
<b>TIME:</b>	<b>10:00 am to 3:00 pm</b>
<b>LOCATION:</b>	<b>Okanagan College 2552 Trans Canada Hwy, Salmon Arm</b>

1. Welcome:
  - ❖ In attendance – Patrick Allwood, Lynne Barisoff (A/CHAIR), Jo-Anne Crawford, Helmut Herrmann, Kathleen Nelson, Sue Phillips, Henry Sundquist, Patricia Winters Grant Huffman (QSO MGR), Bill Tidsbury (CP&D MGR)  
Dianne Trudel (CP&D RECORDER)
  - ❖ Regrets – Kirsten Cacka.
2. Additional agenda items:
  - ❖ No additional items.
3. Approval of agenda:
  - ❖ Motion to approve by Patricia, Sue seconded, carried.
4. Conflict of interest declaration:
  - ❖ None declared.
5. Review and approval of October 25, 2008 minutes:
  - ❖ Motion to approve with changes by Helmut, Patricia seconded, carried.
6. Old business:
  - a) Provincial feedback section on Council evaluation – concerns that local views are not being recognized by the Provincial Board. New (proposed) Advisory Committee to consist of one member from each of the Councils in the province. Upcoming meeting with Lois Halstedt and Councils to form Terms of Reference for the Advisory Committee.
  - b) Noelle has made revisions/corrections to the Evaluation Questionnaire and has emailed out to council members.
  - c) Margaret and Carolyn have approved publication of their resignation letters.
7. Member updates:
  - Patricia attended a Senior Parents meeting this week.
  - Jo-Anne advised that the video for the employment program is complete – CD to be shown later in the meeting. The Provincial project “Get on the Train” will get going this spring. The idea is that Agencies/Societies will promote their employment initiatives on a provincial level with a report done at the end of the “tour”.
  - Kathleen is working at Safeway and was recently videotaped by CHBC as well as being featured in an upcoming newspaper article.

- Sue is ending her duties as Mayor of Enderby at the end of next week.
- Patrick has had a hectic month – looking forward to getting back working with the theatre group.
- Henry -
  - Met with Seniors Innovation Project.
  - There is a new doctors' clinic opening in Armstrong some time in January 2009.
  - Henry spoke on the Family Governance Respite Program in Revelstoke.
  - Presented minutes from the last Self Advocate meeting and highlighted their issues (affordable housing). The "Employment Initiative" had great timing, now is the time for the "Housing Initiative". CMHA in Salmon Arm has a new housing project – multiple units, rented & owned, sell at below market value for low income persons. There are 5 housing projects in the North Okanagan right now. SACL has built triplex with a "room mate" situation. Really good concept but may not be viable (hard to keep "room mates").
  - Must be creative and have many models to choose from:
    - Roommates
    - With/without support staff
    - Affordable housing
    - Multiple people involved for supports
    - Neighbours
    - Campus style
    - Therapeutic integrated model
    - First Nations federal funding used as integrated living
  - Julie Armitage has done an amazing job with the Seniors Group.
- Helmut advised that the Geoff White "Wills & Estates" workshop has been changed to January 21, 2009.
- Lynne is concerned that Revelstoke is still being "ignored". Need more facilitator time for more continuity. Need more visibility to create connections.

8. Financial issues:

- a) Budget principles – discussion on Rating Guides, Costing Tools, Guide to Support Allocation and Catalogue of Services.
- b) Financial reporting format – Grant reviewed handouts and discussed \$ stats.
- c) Henry spoke on the Employment Initiative.
- d) Viewing of the Employment video.

9. Video screening "Freedom to Belong":

- ❖ Not available at this time.

10. October 28<sup>th</sup> Strategic Plan Meeting:

- ❖ Report going to Provincial Board in December. Strategic Plan will be shaped in new year.

11. Council Annual Report:

- ❖ Resubmit with changes – deadline is March 31, 2009.

12. CLBC changes update:

- Children's transition back to MCFD delayed to October 31, 2009.

- More time is needed to make a seamless transition.
- Carol Goozh reviewing Adult Service Model.
- Transition will affect services, roles, staffing, etc.
- Some information may be available by the end of December.
- ❖ **ACTION:** Bill to communicate that the Council suggests, when possible, that Senior Management should take advantage of trips away from Vancouver and stay a little longer in the community. This would allow time to engage members of the community at large and the Council.

13. Satisfaction survey:

- First one done @ MCFD to CLBC transition.
- Follow up survey done this year.
- Review handout.
- Need to develop action plan towards improving satisfaction.
- ❖ **ACTION:** Members to respond to Bill re: suggestions/concerns with proposed strategies in handout.

14. Nomination committee:

- Copy of public service announcement distributed.
- Should a public information session be held to give out information on council?
- Formal recognition of past members – possibly with a piece of artwork from the VDACL art show next Friday
- ❖ **ACTION:** Patricia and Sue to select 3 pieces of art for viewing at the next meeting.
- ❖ **ACTION:** Helmut to call Brady McDonald from the Morning Star about a story.

15. Project funding committee:

- ❖ Committee not established yet – wait for new membership before selecting.

16. Upcoming events:

- December 8, 2008 – MCFD/CLBC planning meeting.
- January 28, 2009 – Person Centred Planning with Pat Fratangelo.
- Fall 2009 – Self Advocate Conference for Kelowna – Vernon – Kamloops.
- Henry advised of an upcoming Michael Kendricks workshop.

17. Next meetings:

- January 17, 2009 at the CLBC office in Vernon.
- February 21, 2009 at Bechtold Centre in Armstrong.
- March 28, 2009 in Vernon – location TBA.

18. Upcoming agenda items:

- Discussion: budget expenditures
- Discussion: budget principles

19. Meeting adjourned.