

Upper Fraser Community Council Meeting
Date: June 14, 2011
Address: Community Living BC Office, Abbotsford
Time: 4:00pm – 8:00pm

Present: Jerry Laidlaw, Maggie Metcalfe, Kerry Lawson, Cathy Bonnett, Brenda Gillette, Sylvia Dirks, Dawn Robertson, Kathie MacDonald, Cheryl Lewis, Tiffany McCurdy (minutes)

Guest: John Talbot
 Regrets: Heidi Schneider, Bryce Schaufelberger

Assets/Resources of Council Members:

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| ◦ Education | ◦ Spirit/Heart |
| ◦ Interests | ◦ Activities |
| ◦ Work | ◦ Home community |
| ◦ Parents | ◦ Self-Advocate |

Summary:

- Council consists of knowledgeable people with a wide range of abilities, experience, arts interests, 3 bankers, community professionals
- Has limited cultural & age diversity
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2 Step or 4 Step Dance??

Two Step Dance:

The two steps include identifying the problem; then suggesting the solution
Many times the two steps does not get us what we need to achieve

Four Step Dance:

For all four steps, you need to both diverge and converge

Step One includes clearly understanding the problem or situation

Step Two includes spending time understanding & analyzing the problem or situation

Step Three includes discussing a variety of options or alternatives before proceeding

Step Four includes deciding on a course of action and identifying how, who and when it will get completed

Remember Networking + Resources = Possibilities/Dreams

2010 Priorities:

- Effective transition services for 15-25 years olds
- Creating a young adult theatre group
- Encouraging more affordable housing

Suggested Priorities for 2011

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| ◦ Transition Services 15-25 | 6 votes |
| ◦ Services for Elderly | 7 votes |
| ◦ Youth Adult Theatre | |
| ◦ Affordable Housing | 4 votes |
| ◦ Hockey Partnership | 6 votes |
| - (employment possibilities) | |
| ◦ TWU (counseling services) | 1 vote |
| ◦ Increase CLBC staff | 6 votes |

Recommended 2011 Priorities:

- Establishing effective transition services for 15 to 25 years
- Developing appropriate support services for the elderly
- Considering a hockey partnership with the Abbotsford Heat

Proposed Action Plan for 2011-2012

Before September 15, 2011 Meeting:

Abbotsford Heat Hockey Team

- Have a meeting with David to discuss potential opportunities between CLBC and the Hockey team

September 15, 2011 Meeting:

Discuss the transitional issues and opportunities from Chilliwack's work (Brenda)

- Social media networking
- Critical information sharing
- Planning processes

Discuss how Council wants to act in regards the Abbotsford Heat Hockey Team – begin researching what other communities are doing in this area

October 20, 2011 Meeting:

Elderly

Begin to understand what are the demographics – what are the number of elderly, where do they live, what services are they receiving, etc. Discuss how to gather this information (survey).

Discuss the information that has been collected by Kim Lyster & Julie Hopkins
Describe what is working well in the Upper Fraser

Transition 15-25

Host the Tax Detective

Identify what topics are most important to parents around transition & focus on them

Abbotsford Heat

Discuss what you have found from other communities and decide on your agenda in meeting with the Heat

November 17, 2011:

Abbotsford Heat

Meet with their management and discuss their expectations along with sharing some of your ideas

January, 2012:

Hockey

- Decide on your course of action

February, 2012:

Elderly

Survey what senior programs are in the various communities & what their practices are – include the elderly in the survey

Transition 15-25

Host forum/ networking night in Langley for families
Host forum/ networking night in Abbotsford for families
Host forum/networking night in Mission for families

May

Elderly

Host a forum on what's working well as well as areas for attention in the Upper Fraser Valley and discuss how services can be improved

Possibly consider Julie & Kim as presentors at the Forum

June

Transition 15-25:

We will be able to clearly describe what a successful transition looks like by June 2012