

**Upper Fraser Community Council Minutes**

**Date: September 11, 2012**

**Address: Garden Park Towers, Abbotsford**

**Time: 6:00 pm**

**Present:** Sylvia Dirks (co-chair), Dawn Robertson (PAC rep), Jerry Laidlaw, Cathy Bonnett, Donalda Madsen, Kathie MacDonald, Kerry Lawson (minutes)  
(minutes)

**Regrets:** Maggie Metcalfe, Brenda Gillette, Bryce Schaufelberger

Agenda Topics	
Topic	Discussion
Review of agenda	Additions made to agenda: Family Focus Conference, PAC update which should be a standing item. Agenda with additions accepted by Dawn Robertson, seconded by Sylvia Dirks, all approved
Topic	Discussion
Review of Minutes Dated June 28, 2012	Minutes accepted by Sylvia Dirks, seconded by Donalda Madsen, all approved. It was noted that there is a new Minister with the Ministry of Social Development – Moira Stilwell
Topic	Discussion
CLBC Updates	<p>Maggie Metcalfe and Jerry Laidlaw assisted Kerry Lawson in the interviewing of potential facilitator candidates for a permanent full time position, a possible half time permanent position and one full time auxiliary. Lee Rudance, who is a half time facilitator in Chilliwack, was the successful candidate for the full time position; Tiffany McCurdy, who is a full time auxiliary facilitator in Abbotsford, was the successful candidate for the permanent half time position, and Peter Aiello, who is an auxiliary social worker for the Ministry of Children and Family Development in Kamloops, was the successful candidate for the full time auxiliary position. It was noted the facilitator team in the Upper Fraser is currently understaffed by two full time positions.</p> <p>Megan Tardif, Manager for Quality Assurance with CLBC, will be attending the council meeting in October to gather input into CLBC's complaint process and policy.</p>
Topic	Discussion
Membership Renewals	Renewals have been completed by Sylvia Dirks, Cathy Bonnett, Maggie Metcalfe, Jerry Laidlaw. Still require renewal forms to be completed by Bryce Schaufelberger and Brenda Gillette. Renewal forms are not required for Kathie MacDonald, Dawn Robertson,

and Donalda Madsen.

Cathy Bonnett announced that she is leaving council due to a change in her personal circumstances. She is moving and may be spending half her time in California. Cathy was an integral part of the council and she will be missed.

**Topic** **Discussion**

Family Governance/Individualized Funding/microboards presentation planning

The council has agreed that they will host this first family and self advocate forum. It was recommended that there be two sessions – one in Aldergrove and one in Chilliac

Action	Person	Deadline
To connect with Linda Perry regarding possible dates in November with respect to her availability	Kerry Lawson	October 9, 2012
To connect with a family rep on the Island who has a form of governance	Kerry Lawson	October 9, 2012
To connect with MCFD re: possible partnership with this forum	Kerry Lawson	October 9, 2012
To check into venues to hold the forum	Dawn Robertson	October 9, 2012

**Topic** **Discussion**

Fraser CPD Manger Goals

The manager goals were distributed to the council and reviewed. It was noted that for families who are in the process of receiving direct funded respite, many of those families do not know how much to pay a respite caregiver. It was suggested that families be provided with a range of pay that caregivers should receive. The Family Support Institute has a list of possible support workers which families can access. Facilitators should be aware of this list.

It was noted that one of the manager goals is to work in partnership with the various school boards to promote employment. An individual is able to earn up to \$800 per month without it affecting the person’s PWD. The council may be interested in being involved in the meetings with the school

	boards.		
	<b>Action</b>	<b>Person</b>	<b>Deadline</b>
	To look into a possible information brochure on direct funded respite	Kerry Lawson	November 13, 2012
<b>Topic</b>	<b>Discussion</b>		
Upcoming Events	<b>Event</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Council Attendance</b>
	Parents Promoting Employment (co-funded by CLBC and Family Support Institute)	October 13, 2012 from 9 am to 3 pm at Garden Park Towers, Abbotsford	Kathie MacDonald, Sylvia Dirks (Kerry Lawson will register them)
	Overview of FASD and strategic interventions (funded by CLBC)	October 30, 2012 from 9 am to 4:30 pm at Chilliwack City Hall	Kathie MacDonald (Kerry Lawson will register)
	Family Focus Conference	October 19 <sup>th</sup> , 20 <sup>th</sup> and 21 <sup>st</sup> , 2012; Coast Cascade Hotel and Convention Centre, Langley	Maggie Metcalfe, Dawn Robertson, Donald Madsen (reception only as she is being sponsored to attend by Langley Association for Community Living), Kathie MacDonald (Kerry will register them)
<b>Topic</b>	<b>Discussion</b>		
Provincial Advisory Committee	Dawn Robertson received an email today from the Provincial Advisory Committee, requesting an report on what the council has been working on. She is expected to have this report in by this weekend. Dawn agreed to use the minutes of the last meeting to form her report. She will share the report with the council.		
<b>Topic</b>	<b>Discussion</b>		
Meeting Adjournment	Meeting called to a close. Accepted by Sylvia Dirks and seconded by Dawn Robertson, all approved. Meeting ended 8:45 pm.		
<b>Next Meeting</b>	<b>Tuesday, October 9, 2012 Garden Park Towers, Abbotsford 6:00 PM</b>		

