



North Shore Coast Community Council Meeting

February 17, 2021 4:30 pm
Online Meeting via MS Teams

Virtual Attendance:




Alex Evanshen
Jaye Russel
Jordyn McGregor
Lilla Tipton
Pauli Deacon


CLBC Staff: James White
Rhea Miguel (minute taker)

Guests: Jessica Humphrey (CLBC Self Advocate Advisor)
Clarence Li (Sunshine Coast Association for Community Living Executive Director)
Shelley Nessman

Regrets: Jen Davey

AGENDA TOPICS	
TOPIC	DISCUSSION
Welcome and Introduction	Meeting called to order at 4:38 pm. James welcomed everyone to the North Shore Community Council virtual meeting and introduced Clarence Li, Executive Director of Sunshine Coast Association for Community Living.
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Review and Approval of Previous minutes	James provided a recap of the previous minutes. It was moved by Alex Evanshen, seconded by Lilla Tipton that the minutes of the previous meeting, January 28, 2021, be approved.

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<p>List of Provincial Resources and Toolkit for Connection by Jessica Humphrey</p>	<p>Jessica discussed the CLBC Resiliency Project which focuses on connections and flexible respite during this pandemic.</p> <p>Flexible Respite Funding is intended to present a more flexible approach to support individuals and their families. A list of flexible option ideas for families to get a break is in the attached Express Menu.</p> <p> Express-Menu_Resiliency.pdf</p> <p>Toolkit for Connection – provides tool and resources for people to stay safe and connected during this time. The Toolkit for Connection – has a video that community councils can share Video on different ways to use the Toolkit: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mXh-KAXVhDQ&feature=youtu.be</p> <p>The contents of the toolkit are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Calendars for Support and Connection 2. Provincial Connections - printable template outlining supports available to connect anyone, anywhere in B.C.  Provincial Connections Template 3. Local Connections Template – Printable, fillable one-pager to input best places to connect the people with resources and supports available close to home.  Local Connections Fillable One Pager.d 		
	ACTION	RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
	<p>Community Council members can fill in these forms with informations available in the community, print copies, post in the community, and share with those who are isolated and disconnected at this time. Printing these will help connect those who do not use technology or internet .</p>	All	-

	<p>4. MyCommunity BC - to help individuals find available inclusive resources in the community like shops, recreational facilities. Link: https://findsupportbc.com/map/</p> <p>5. On-line Support and Connection Resources During COVID-19</p>  <p>Connection-and-Support-Resources.pdf</p>
	<p>A discussion on self advocacy groups took place.</p> <p>Listed below are some of the self advocacy groups individuals can join:</p> <p>a. BC People First – They are open for membership. This is a provincial non-profit society for self advocacy.</p> <p>Link: https://bcpeoplefirst.com/membership</p> <p>Upcoming Event: BC People First Conference is on Feb 25th and 26th Registration Link: https://bcpeoplefirst.com/events</p> <p>b. Self Advocacy Leadership Network of BC Link: https://salnbc.com/</p> <p>c. Vela Canada - non-profit society that provides information and mentoring to individuals with disabilities. They are open for membership. Link: https://www.velacanada.org/get-involved/join-vela</p> <p>Under Vela Canada, they have the Support Worker Platform where they reach out to individuals and their families.</p>
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<p>Calendar for Connection Events</p>	<p>Family Support Institute website hosts the Calendar for Connection events to provide inclusive opportunities to connect with others during covid 19. Events are led by Self Advocacy Groups.</p> <p>Link: https://familysupportbc.com/calendar-cfc/</p> <p>Individuals with no internet connection can connect/contact by phone.</p>
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<p>Discussion on Community Council Work Plan by Shelley Nessman</p>	<p>Planning session will be facilitated by Shelley Nessman and James White.</p> <p>Suggestion on the focus goals of the council:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Housing Housing is a critical issue. Individuals are facing shortage of suitable, inclusive housing. Among the barriers are: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Restrictions on rent – no pets allowed for example

	<p>b. Affordability – PWD benefit isn’t enough to support housing. BC Housing funds rental subsidies but these are difficult to come by these days.</p> <p>c. Accessibility</p> <p>2. Transportation – Sea to Sky has limited transport (handydart, community buses) as compared to Whistler area. This is the same case in the rural areas of the Sunshine Coast.</p> <p>3. Covid 19</p> <p>4. Multiple Complex Needs (MCN) Individuals -other than funding, families and agencies also need skills, support, and other resources in handling MCN.</p> <p>James talked about his recent meeting with BC Housing and the municipality. But the resource has a 10-year limit which doesn’t secure a long-term solution to housing needs.</p> <p>This is a good opportunity to convene partners, stakeholders to explore and collaborate. The housing video prepared by the CLBC Communications can be used for presentations to educate and create awareness on inclusive housing.</p> <p>James mentioned that CLBC Regional Facilitators are working on a MCN project.</p>		
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	To have 2 sessions in March (1.5 hours each session) to do the work plan.	All	-
	Proposed dates will be emailed soon.		
TOPIC	DISCUSSION		
Recruitment	Deferred to April 2021		
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Nominations for Community Council Chair and Vice Chair	Deferred to April 2021		
Meeting adjourned at 6:28 pm			
NEXT MEETING			
Proposed date for March Work Plan Sessions will be emailed soon. Regular council meeting will resume in April.			