



Vancouver Community Council Meeting

Wednesday, September 26, 2018
3rd floor, 210 West Broadway
Time: 6:00 p.m.

Present: Vicki, Aileen, Annie, Bruce, Derek, John, and James

Regrets: Brooke, Margaret, Matt, Menwoh, Pam, Renee, Sheenal, Shannon and Tess

Minute taking: Lyn

Agenda topics

Agenda Item 1:

Welcome & Inspirational moment

The members gave a brief recap of the summer activities after which James showed an inspirational video of the LostVoiceGuy, a.k.a Lee Ridley, who won this year's Britain's Got Talent competition. Lee has cerebral palsy which caused him to lose his voice. Despite the physical barrier, he was able to rise above it by using it as his comedy stand-up material and show that he is defined not by his disability but by his humor, candor and wit.

Action items:	Person responsible:	Deadline:
N/A	N/A	N/A

Agenda Item 2:

Review Minutes

The council reviewed and approved the minutes of the May 16th meeting.

Action items: N/A	Person responsible:	Deadline:
	N/A	N/A

Agenda Item 3:

Community Mapping Project Update

Council member Derek McQuillen gave the council update on the community mapping project. They have partnered with the Vancouver Public Library since July. Representing the council in the meetings were Vicki and Derek. The mapping project will be held in Oct.20, Saturday. The next one will be in Spring 2019. He said there will be an info/marketing campaign to create awareness of the project. He will show a prototype of the decal/sticker to be given to participants who will give them to establishments that are inclusive and diverse.

Action items: N/A	Person responsible:	Deadline:
Show sample of the decal/stickers next meeting	Derek	Oct. 24, Wednesday

Agenda Item 4:

CLBC Welcome Workshops update

James said that the Welcome Workshops started today, Sep.26, and will run for the next 3 Wednesdays in October. Around 18 people signed up (self-advocates and family) for the first Welcome Workshop roll out. Council Chair Vicki Wang is a presenter in the CLBC Welcome Workshop. She said that only 3 people showed up in the Sept. 26 session thus had to cancel the first meeting/workshop. James suggested to do more follow ups to remind the attendees in the coming. Derek believed the low turnout was more due to timing. He said students have just gone back to school and are very busy. CLBC would have a better turnout if it were held in October, probably mid-October.
The first CLBC Welcome Workshop is held at Sir Charles Tupper Secondary School library @ 5:30-7:30pm, every Wednesday in September/October.

Action items:	Person responsible:	Deadline:
Do follow ups for attendees of Welcome Workshops	N/A	

Agenda Item 5:

Housing Update

Council member John McCulloch gave an update on Housing to the council. He suggested to add housing as one of the top in the community mapping project.
The information on housing previously gathered and presented in the last forum is scheduled to be released in October. He emphasized that the various community councils is a key partner in crafting a unified housing message to the various municipalities. This will strengthen the presence of the self advocates as a collective and of CLBC as a main proponent. He also informed the council of the upcoming housing/community living workshop in Surrey focused on “reimagining community living”.
John asked if there will be other people from the council who can join him in the housing meetings. He said the first meet

will be in Oct. 4. Vicki volunteered to join John. James suggested Paulie____ and Derek suggested Pam. John also gave an update on the developments in the PAC Board. A new chairman will be elected soon. There will also be 6 new seats to be filled in the PAC Board.

CLBC manager James White recommended John represent the council in the coming BC Housing Forum this year.

Action items:	Person responsible:	Deadline:
James to secure funding for John to attend the Housing forum Vicki to attend meetings with John		

Agenda Item 6:

Proclamation of Community Inclusion Month

October 2018

CLBC Manager James White presented to council the proposal to make October a Community Inclusion Month (instead of Community Living month). He showed the draft proclamation and letter to the mayor of Vancouver, to be sent to the mayor hopefully before election day.

Action items:	Person responsible:	Deadline:
Send letter and proclamation to City of Vancouver	James White	September 27, 2018

Agenda Item 7:

Date of next council meeting

The council agreed to meet on Oct. 24, Wednesday.