



Vancouver Coastal Community Council Meeting

June 27, 2012

4th floor – 210 West Broadway

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Present: Peter Swayne, Liz Cochran, Ernie Baatz, Deanne Ziebart, Jan Mareels, Yuko McCulloch, Denise Burrowes-Mash

Regrets: Mara St. Onge-Dueck, Mark Perry, John Davies, Theresa Huntly, Rita Leedholm

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Introduction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reviewed Minutes of April 11, 2012 						
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Reports	<p><u>Transition Group:</u> Yuko and Liz provided update on Transition group</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wrap-up party was a success Connection with school board is improving. Going to various schools and discussing transition process with various teachers. Have recently attended John Oliver School and met with teachers. Provided workshops on Housing and Wills and Trusts. <p><u>Education and Employment:</u> Liz is one of the 31 community facilitators mentioned in the release below:</p> <p>COMMUNITY ACTION EMPLOYMENT PLAN: 31 community facilitators are planning and holding community conversations across the province to help CLBC establish a base of knowledge to build CLBC three-year Community Action Employment Plan. If you are not able to attend one of the sessions, a survey is available online at www.communitylivingbc.ca/community-action-employment-plan. Please feel free to circulate it to individuals, families, service providers or any other stakeholders that you think might have an interest in contributing to the</p>						

discussion. The survey will be posted until the end of the summer when CLBC will begin to gather the learning in preparation for a “summit” in October where CLBC will create the plan. Give any input you have regarding this Employment initiative to Liz.

Ernie Baatz has also been trained in appreciative inquiry research and has been assigned the task of gathering data which will be collected by CLBC to inform their planning process. He has been asked to target a group of about a dozen people to host in an informal forum conversation and then interview several people who can't make it to the forum. As well, folks who want to give input into this plan may do so by going through the online survey site here:

<http://www.communitylivingbc.ca/individuals-families/employment-initiative/community-action-employment-plan/>

Spectrum will be holding a forum on July 3rd at 6:30. RSVP to Judy at 604-323-1433.

Transportation is important when considering employment.

- See following release re: Taxi Savers removal.
TransLink announced that TransLink’s Board of Directors has decided to reverse the decision to eliminate the TaxiSaver program. For the past several weeks TransLink has been hearing from the many people and groups about the importance of the TaxiSaver program to the disability community.

Work BC – Started in April but not ready for our clients to access at this time.

Update on May Family Meeting – perhaps another workshop called “What could you do at home to make your son/daughter more employable”

Perhaps a joint Housing and Employment workshop in the fall.

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<u>Education and Housing</u> Discussed the possibility of another workshop titled “What can you do to make your children job ready”	Peter/John	Next Council Meeting
<u>Housing:</u> Organize another housing workshop in September. Suggestions for the next Housing workshop: 2 day workshop with small group discussions.	Peter/John	Next Council Meeting

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CLBC update - Denise	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Client Support Team has been replaced by the Integrated Services Support Team. The new ISST gives individuals with developmental disabilities and their families a dedicated place to turn to for assistance when they have concerns about services provided from multiple ministries and agencies, including from CLBC. The ISST, which replaces the Client Support Team, brings together staff from the ministries of Social Development, Children and Family Development, Health and, when required, Education and Advanced Education. Together with CLBC staff, they will review all of the services that an individual receives to ensure they are receiving the appropriate level of services. John Davies is the lead for ISST in our region. Complaint site is on the CLBC website. Paul Mallette conducting a pilot project for Customized Employment. Training Special Education Assistance to provide employment skills. The goal is to start teaching employment skills at 14 years old so that students are employable by graduation. Direct Funded respite is being offered to all transitioning youth. Vancouver CLC office has held information sessions to explain Direct Funded Respite. 						
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Changes to role of Community Councils and Provincial Advisory Council – Peter and Liz report on meetings	<p>Strengthening Community Councils – Task Force Recommendations Report for Review – June 19, 2012.</p> <p>The task force is asking that Community Council members provide feedback about the Task Force Report by July 7, 2012. Council approves the recommendations.</p> <p>Community Council Annual Report Reviewed and will be sent to Brian Salisbury.</p>						
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Statement of Rights of Individuals Policy	Policy was read and discussed by council members. Representation Agreement can provide a safeguard for assisting individuals in decision making.	
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	Next Vancouver Council Meeting September 19, 2012