

Surrey – Delta – White Rock Community Council

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Community Council Minutes

Wednesday, March 27, 2019 – 6:00 p.m.

Meeting Location:

CLBC – Surrey Office

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From 6:00 to 8:30 pm

- Present:** Brenda Pellegrin, Alison Scholefield, Linda Beck, Vernon Hudson, Laila Karim
- Regrets:** Vicki Stratton (note: Community Council term ended after February 27, 2019 meeting), Tracey Chan
- Guests:** Jennifer Benjamin (BRAVO); Vernon Hudson’s friend: Sean Beddows
- CLBC staff:** Anthony opdenDries, Integrated Services Manager; Real Bernier, Facilitator
- Recorder:** Edwina Jeffrey
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1. **Call to order**

Brenda called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm following dinner. Anthony mentioned that Real will act as the Community Council Facilitator and attend meetings on behalf of Anthony.

2. **Welcome and introductions**

The Council members introduced themselves, welcomed Sean Beddows and were pleased to have Jennifer join us again at the meeting.

3. **March 27th Agenda Review**

Motion: *It was moved by Linda and seconded by Alison to accept the March 27th meeting agenda. Carried Unanimously*

4. **Approval of the February 27th, 2019 meeting minutes**

Motion: *It was moved by Alison and seconded by Linda to accept the February 27th, 2019 meeting minutes. Carried Unanimously*

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5. **Inclusive Housing Task Force: Follow-up**

Council members emailed their thoughts to Vicki which in turn were compiled and forwarded by Vicki to the members and Jessica Humphreys.

ACTION: Real will follow up with Jessica Humphreys to ask for entire report so that SDWR Council members can read a copy.

ACTION: Real will connect with Sean and pass info to Jessica Humphrey so that they can connect.

6. **New Provincial Advisory Council representative**

Nominate Alison Scholefield to be the Council's PAC rep beginning May 1.

Suggest Vicki attend joint meeting in June as Acting Chair with Alison as PAC rep.

Motion: *It was moved by Laila and seconded by Vernon to appoint Alison to be the SDWR Provincial Advisory Council representative.* *Carried Unanimously*

ACTION: Edwina will follow up with Josefina to determine the term length for a PAC member and can the acting Chair go with Alison?

7. **Annual Report (NOTE: Error in January 2019 Minutes, item 4., pg. 2 'Review Workplan – 2017-2018 Goals' the dates should be: 2018-2019 (Annual report for 2017-2018 submitted May, 2018))**

ACTION: Edwina to ensure Jennifer gets a copy of the January minutes with these goals.

Goal #1: A well-functioning, knowledgeable and enthusiastic Council

Outcome/evidence

More members attending

Goal #2: Provide information that will help families and self-advocates thrive

Future Forums:

Laila and Tracey will meet with Anthony and Real.

Goal #3: Raise community awareness about the benefits of hiring people with disabilities

Edwina participated on behalf of the Community Council, as the Inclusive Employer Awards committee Chair/member from February 2014 through March 8, 2019 meeting when she announced her resignation from the committee.

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Josefina will step in and help in admin. role, as will Real join and support the committee.

The next meeting is in April.

City of Surrey will support in venue, catering, event logistics.

Goal #4: Be aware of current public transportation issues facing people with disabilities

ACTION: Brenda researched this and will present this in April.

Goal #5: Monitor the CLBC 2017-2020 Strategic Plan Goals

Ongoing

Goal #6: Be aware of current housing issues facing people with disabilities

Outcome/evidence

Council members Marie and Rosemarie contributed to and attended an October 2018 Housing Forum organized by many partnerships including the City of Surrey and CLBC.

The Council contributed to the recent provincial Housing survey just completed.

Highlights:

Council member (Vicki Stratton) participation in the Reimagining Community Inclusion partnership table (now concluded and recommendations are being sent to Ministry of Social Development and Poverty Reduction).

Recruitment for service providers was initiated and in February 2019 three guests attended representing two service providers. A self-advocate attended the March 2019 meeting.

Check 2017/2018 report to make sure results not repeated.

Challenges faced and how they have been addressed

Marie Sabine (Chair) resigned from the Council in November, 2018. The Council moved to have rotating Chairs or a member to facilitate each meeting.

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Membership

1. ? Members
2. ? New Members
3. 2? Departed Members

8. Community Council Self-Evaluation Report (Appendix 13 – Handbook)

All members completed the report individually at the meeting and handed them to Real for Josefina to compile.

9. Recruitment for Community Council Members

For information refer to: <https://www.communitylivingbc.ca/community-councils/list-of-regional-councils/surrey-delta-white-rock-community-council/>

The Motion to vote for a new Chair will be at the April meeting, when Josefina can gather the information on term lengths. But, it is okay to take a turn facilitating a meeting.

ACTION: Anthony will follow up for application forms for Jennifer and Sean.

Vicki put recruitment note on N. Delta Facebook page. Jennifer put out a recruitment note on Special Olympics media.

ACTION: Real can follow-up with Josefina on who has been invited to be a council member.

ACTION: Real can support Vernon at looking at recruiting self-advocates.

10. CLBC Workshops: Council discussion/updates

Future Forums: RDSP, Microboards, Representation Agreements and Wills

Microboard will be done by Laila; Tracey will do the RDSP. Laila mentioned will have to contact people to be able to present them, but initially a meeting needs to be arranged.

Laila shared information about the benefits of RDSP's and the importance of Representation Agreements (Nidus) or Power of Attorney (especially if your son or daughter is hospitalized).

In Laila's 11-year experience having a Microboard works very well. She explained how it works, and the assessments and how funding can be designated. A microboard allows a parent to control the funding. Vela can be a guide to help.

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There are two tiers of funding, up to \$6K and over \$6K both with their own guidelines.

Edwina attended the March 14th ‘MyBooklet’ workshop at Semiahmoo House. Lydia Kang talked about her life and professional background, and the reasons for creating the booklet. She is the ‘MyBooklet’ Coordinator at FSI. The workshop was very informative and very worthwhile to attend. Go to:

www.myBookletBC.com .

ACTION: Real will contact Josefina to find out if seats are available for Council Members for the MyBooklet workshop on April 9.

11. Meeting check-in: a round table to see how is everyone doing. What is working well and what are challenges (time permitting)

All members shared personal stories of what is going great in their lives, and other stories that describe what has been challenging.

Adjournment at 8:30 pm and Reminders:

Next Community Council meeting is April 24, 2019, chaired/facilitated by Tracey at CLBC office.

Note: Linda and Alison will be absent.